

DPTI Planning Reform Submissions for Linden Park 5065

February 13th, 2020.

To whom it may concern,

As an older resident of Linden Park, I would like to express my concerns re the newly proposed planning code and “rezoning” of my suburb. Last evening February 12th my husband and I attended an ‘informative discussion’ at a planned public meeting at Beaumont. Many questions regarding the proposed changes were raised.

I have these following concerns for my pretty, green and quiet neighbourhood which I do not want to see changed or be singled out for “no apparent” reason!

1a. Green space: Maintaining balance; Positive outcome - Please keep the area of Linden Park “balanced” with *minimal disruption* to the “green” spaces i.e. parks, streetscapes and private dwelling gardens. The fortunate opportunity of enjoying the parks, open spaces and our gardens “lifts the spirits” of this Linden Park community. As a Linden Park resident, I would like it noted that the local Burnside Council has *always* maintained this “balance” of keeping our suburb green; adding and or replacing the street trees with regular watering.

1b. Green Space: Re-zone proposal; Negative outcome – By increasing the number and reduction in size of dwellings and gardens (and canopy trees) will only *increase temperatures* on hotter days. Therefore, by “cramming” in more dwellings with less space for gardens and increasing more paved areas will not be beneficial to anyone.

2a. Safety: Negative: Outcome Re-zone proposal- For fourteen years we have resided at the *northern* end of Torrens Street which is considered as a ‘collector road’ joining Portrush Road to Greenhill Road with speeding cars (which we endure on a daily basis) and trucks using it to avoid the Portrush and Greenhill Road intersection. This problem is increasing.

If the rezoning proceeds with more “cramped in” dwellings and increased ‘off road’ parking an on-going safety issue will be created for any emergency vehicles trying to enter, stop and leave this suburb. For example, each end of Torrens Street is often reduced to a ‘one lane’ road due to vehicle parking. This situation could end up involving most of the streets in Linden Park.

2b. Safety: Negative: Outcome Re-zone proposal -There is also NO clearway at the end of Torrens Street onto Greenhill Road it will add to the present difficulties.

NB: Just recently I watched my husband help an ‘East Waste’ council truck trying to manoeuvre itself to empty a garbage bin in a tight street.

I, therefore feel that Linden Park should **not** be rezoned as a General Neighbourhood Zone, it should remain or be zoned as a Suburban Neighbourhood Zone.

Maybe the planners of this new coding should actually visit this lovely leafy and friendly area of Linden Park.

Yours faithfully,

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