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From: Mr. Bond

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**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca

Subject: [External] Official plan ammendment File OP.08.017

## Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you today in regards to the Official Plan Ammendment File OP.08.017 (Zoning By-Law Amendment File Z.16.022.

I am bringing up concerns regarding this project as the area of Bruce St. and Helen St. will be greatly affected by this development. As a resident of this area, I am bringing the concern of over development and over population in this area that will be ocurring due to the development going ahead. Currently our Bruce St. and Helen St. area consists of many young families and seniors that have called this area home for over 15-20 years.

This area currently has access to schools, transit and everything else needed close by.

The concern is this new development will be causing more traffic, over population in this area. The natural conservation of this area is greatly important as the kids and families have a refreshing natural landscape to enjoy. Currently we are already seeing the side affects of new devlopment due to the townhouses built on Helen street and on Bruce street.

This is already causing people from the townhouses to park on Bruce & Helen street and also from the condo tower on highway 7. The street is already a single lane and thus it causes issues for poeple to pass each other. It seems that the builder and the city are only concerned with the money that will line their pockets from this development. You need to consider the quality of life that will be affected of the long time residents and taxpayers of Bruce and Helen street. The builder is pointing out "false benefits" of this project as Islington road does not have anything close by (stores, rapid transit, doctors etc) and thus any seniors or residents of this propsed development will have to go

out of their way for everything. Using the "affordability" excuse does not justify overcrowding and endangering the quality of life of current residents. They are also mentioning that Bruce street will not be used for any traffic towards the new development but this is clearly a lie as they will change the project plan afterwards with some sort of a "legitimate" reason. Not to mention the highrise will block sunlight to the already existing residents of Bruce street. Why should existing residents be punished for working hard and buying a home in a beautiful area. Also just because the developer has purchased land does not mean there has to be overpopulated residences built. The natural wildlife should also be able to enjoy this land the way it currently is.

Please show us that the taxpayers and long time residents mean something to the city of vaughan. Currently Vaughan is a development goldmine and it seems the only interest at hand is of the developer and city of vaughan property tax collection. Highway 7 is already full of excessive noise, speeding, and aggressive driving since townhomes and condos are being built and thus more people are moving here. I challenge you to picture how you would feel if your area started getting over developed and crowded and you could no longer enjoy the landscape and serenity of the natural landscape.

I urge you to take a drive down Islington Ave, Bruce Street and Helen street. You will see how the townhouses are already congesting Brue and Helen and this new devlopment will make things worst. You will see Islington ave is all open and lots of conservation land. Just because there is empty land, that does not mean you stick an overpopulated development there. You will also notice the peaceful and serene landscape that is being enjoyed by the current young familes and seniors that walk everyday and enjoy the area.

Let's keep Woodbridge as the clean, respectful, and proud city it has been instead of giving into the builders. Respect the fact that there are many long time seniors and younger familise that have called Woodbridge "home" for generations.

Thank you, Resident of Bruce Street.