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Mr. Ferrari

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Dear Mr. Ferrari,

Please accept this letter, as the comments on behalf of the Glanbrook Conservation Committee, in opposition of Zoning By-Law Amendment (File No. ZAR-18-023). The Glanbrook Conservation Committee (GCC) has been involved in the lands of the Binbrook Conservation Area (BCA), and the surrounding area, for over 25 years, improving the quality of nature, and the ability for people to enjoy it. Before the NPCA took over the BCA, as well as since, the GCC has worked on thousands of tree plantings, trail building and maintenance, fish habitat, clean up days, aquatic vegetation and much more. We certainly believe that Conservation should be kept in mind at the Binbrook Conservation Area, but also to be enjoyed by visitors to the park.

However, we are opposed to having what is currently an area containing a Wetlands, to be rezoned for an Adventure Park. I want to add, that there is no mention of this area being a wetlands on the notice, nor mention of an environmental study, to assess species at risk, endangered, or threatened that might live in the wetlands. Has the Ministry of Natural Resources been contacted, and conducted a study of the area?

Further, I am surprised that the NPCA would embark in a project to develop on a Wetlands, given their current negative Public Relations over their support of the development of other sensitive wetlands, and their proposals of Wetlands Biodiversity offsetting. While I do not

support Wetlands biodiversity offsetting in any way, and don't believe there to be any scientific merit to it, I note that the Site Plan does not contain their own recommendation of where they might propose to create additional wetlands in their offsetting plans.

I would also state, that there it is our belief, that a Conservation Authority, should primarily be focused on Conservation, not the building of amusement parks. This is a beautiful piece of nature, that should not be destroyed, for the purpose of a playground.

Sincerely,

Brett Harrington

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Further to your notification of the application to amend the zoning at the Binbrook Conservation area, we would like to go on record as being opposed to this change. The conservation area is home to a great deal of wildlife and waterfowl. This change would be disruptive to all of these animals and birds causing them to relocate. The definition of conservation area is an area of land that is protected and can not be built on or used for certain purposes. Protected areas are essential for biodiversity conservation providing habitat and protection for threatened and endangered species. This suggested aerial park is in definite contradiction to this definition. We moved to this area because of the proximity to the park and greatly object to it being changed.

Your truly, Kevin & Shari Munt 5045 Trinity Church rd

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