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Subject: Area Specific Development Charges

Dear Planning Committee Members

As most of you are aware, we have been quite concerned about the higher density infill developments in areas of Ward 10 that are serviced with Transcab (about 75% of the land) & which border on rural lands outside of our urban boundary or are coming forward on greenfield lands.

Please note that:

- (a) At ~ \$14,000 per Transcab user per year, the annual cost is unsustainable should even only 1% of the population growth choose to use.
- (b) In addition, the exponential increase in vehicles (2 vehicles per one way trip) is not climate friendly & negatively impacts the lifespan of our roads; and
- (c) No formal discussions on conventional transit expansions have occurred, hence no funding for transit to Ward 10 is reflected in our current DC By-law charges.

We are of the opinion that without a funding source now, these future Transit Costs related to 'growth' will be primarily borne by residential taxpayers after development occurs.

Hence, we are seeking your consideration in asking Staff whether or not a Special Area development charge is an option which could be utilized for Transit funding. This would be similar to what has been done in the past in the Binbrook area for infrastructure and what is currently in our DC By-law for the Dundas/Waterdown special areas for servicing.

Respectfully,

Viv / Anna/ Nancy
Lakewood Beach Community Council