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Hi Jennifer,

This is Edna's feedback:

Thank you, I would like to say, I grew up there on Mineral Springs Rd and so did four generations of my family on Mineral Springs Rd, Martin's Rd and the gravel pit road. We all knew the history of the village, like the death at the conservation house, the death of the coachman, being friends with people who lived by the ruins. A lot of things were passed down, we knew a few generations of the Griffith house, Frank Costello was my grandpa's best friend and we went to school with his kids. Frank Costello's parents and grandparents lived there and helped protect the people who were enslaved coming through the underground railroad from the USA and other places and found them safe places to go and live. We grew up with the Berminghams, went to school with their kids, my mom was born there in one of the back houses. If people check into Ancaster history, a lot of things happened on these roads the first convent on Wilson street just down from the fire station, things that happened on Book Rd, etc, lots of history. The wooded area is hunting grounds for Indigenous people, the trees were marked in orange and green paint when we grew up. It has been a small close knit village for hundreds of years. I have an Ancaster plate of one of the churches, celebrating their 175 anniversary from when I went to school. A lot of people know each other, there wasn't much crime at all when we grew up, we hitch hiked, left doors unlocked, etc. The big builds will totally wreck the area on Wilson, and building all these big townhouses etc. on Sulphur Springs and Mineral Springs will take away all the animals food and habitats, let alone all the pine trees, beautiful nature. We need trees to breathe, but the Indigenous people should have a say in that, too. Ancaster means a lot to me.

Please let me know that you received this feedback.

Thanks,

Sarah