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Municipality of Middlesex Centre

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the plan of condominium application, the official plan amendment application and the zoning by-law amendment application at Elmhurst St and Glendon Dr.

I am asking the Municipality to retain the existing zoning and not to approve the application to change the zoning to higher density.

Old Kilworth is a small and unique area. It has a special rural feeling and a really strong sense of community that the typical subdivision does not have. Many of our residents are nature enthusiasts, birders and hikers who take great pride in their neighbourhood.

A zoning change to higher density and much smaller lot sizes would impact the neighborhood negatively and most importantly set a dangerous precedent for others wishing to capitalize on splitting lots in the neighbourhood for development purposes.

This proposed development will be detrimental to the area. Higher density residential housing will cause traffic and safety problems, increased noise, destroy local wildlife habitat, and potentially lower the property values in the existing community.

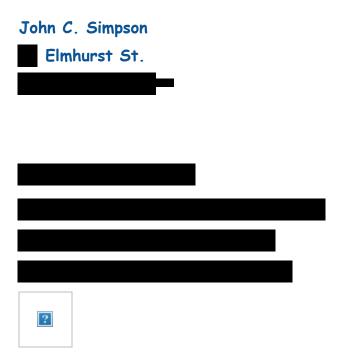
If we assume the existing zoning was put in place to protect the integrity of our neighbourhood, it would not make sense to abandon this concept in favour of higher density development. Because there is sufficient land elsewhere

for higher density residential use, there is no need to rezone this neighbourhood.

I would recommend that Council consider alternatives to higher density residential housing such a public park, garden, family picnic area, children's play/recreational area, etc. Perhaps there are provincial and/or federal grants available for this kind of development.

I urge you to oppose the proposed rezoning. I know my opinions are shared by many who have not managed to attend a meeting or write letters and emails.

Thank you for your continued service to our community.



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