

Glen Williams Community Association urges residents to attend meeting on planned development

On Wednesday, March 9, Glen Williams Community Association and other concerned residents will hold a public information meeting, 7 p.m. at the Glen Williams Town Hall, 1 Prince St. about Eden Oaks proposed Creditview Heights development.

The developer's plan is to build 33 homes on the crest of the hill, next to the Wildwood Rail Trail overlooking Credit St., Erin St. and Park St. West and Karen Dr., to be accessed by Gamble St. Glen Williams and neighbouring Georgetown residents have raised concerns to the Town about water tables, storm run-off into a holding pond on the side of the hill, razing the hill of trees, safety of retaining walls and preservation of at-risk species.

We all know more development is going to come to Glen Williams, said GWCA spokesperson Janet Bailey. Our only concerns are that any development be low impact, environmentally sound and it honour the intention of the secondary plan. This means we must keep the Glen's rural and village characteristics and its very special topography. We have worked with other developers to make sure this happens and we are happy to

do so again. We have a jewel here that is an important part of Halton Hills and we must not spoil it.

The Town of Halton Hills has not yet held a public information meeting about this proposal since the developer first presented a plan to Council in Oct. 2009, but Glen residents are moving ahead to ensure all are aware of what the development, as it now stands, will do to alter the Glen. The Town of Halton Hills, through its acceptance of the Glen Williams Secondary Plan in 2005, committed at that time to preserve the unique qualities of the Glen, stated a GWCA press release.

The Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) will make the final decision on the project, after the developer filed an appeal stating that the Town of Halton Hills refused or neglected to make a decision on its applications for a zoning bylaw amendment and draft plan of subdivision. A third pre-hearing has been scheduled for May 2, 10 a.m. in the Halton Hills Civic Centre. A full 10-day hearing has been scheduled for July 18-29 at the Civic Centre.

For more information on GWCA and this project, contact Janet Bailey, 905-877-9132 or email info@theartofjebailey.com

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