Chicken restaurant planned for Guelph Street, beside last residential house in area

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Council is reviewing an application for a two-storey commercial unit at 249-251 Guelph St., beside the last residential home on that strip of highway.

The main floor is expected to be a "chicken restaurant" with a drive-through, with two other retail units. There will be business spaces on the second floor, as well.

During a recent planning, transportation and public works meeting, Coun. Bryan Lewis voiced concern for the house, asking if there can be any concessions made in the planning to ease the impact of the new development beside it



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Halton Hills planners are processing an application for a two-storey commercial development at 249-251 Guelph Street.

He says he knew of an elderly woman who lived in the house for decades, who was approached by developers but chose to stay.

Coun. Dave Kentner says the woman has died but her family are still living there.

Planners said that there have been requirements of

fencing and landscaping to mitigate any impact of the restaurant's late-night business on the home beside it.

"I'm a believer that we're elected to look after the people that live here," said Lewis, explaining that he wants to make sure that the home is still protected enough from the noise of neighbouring businesses, to be comfortable to live.

The planning department brought forward a report to council proposing a housekeeping amendment to bring the site, 249-251 under the same zoning amendment.

Previously, the two lots were under different zoning, as the previous owner of the site had plans to build office spaces, but that never came into fruition.



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