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No need for this housing development in our park

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to provincial law, we are barred from learning the asking price. We hear it was more than \$2 million, which suggests that ORC has assessed and promoted it as residential land rather than parkland.

Mr. Chudleigh assures us that everything was done properly in this land transaction but we think he's missing the point.

He also says that he can do nothing and that this is a municipal issue. That may be true now, but the Province created this problem for our community by 1) inflating the property value and 2) thereby encouraging developers to bid up the highest possible use for the property.

Mr. Chudleigh says that 80 per cent of the community is in favour of this residential subdivision. We think he's mistaken.

We polled more than 1,000 households in the neighbourhood and have found that more than 90 per cent of the people are against this development. Considering the imminent provincial election, it will be interesting to see whose numbers are correct -- Mr. Chudleigh's estimate or ours. If the Province doesn't change its position, this will be a major election issue

in Milton.

There is no need to squeeze a housing development into a park in our community. Recently-approved water and sewer services from Lake Ontario give Milton a 25-year surplus of developable residential land.

Building begins within two years. Within 15 years, our town will more than double in size. We think that's enough.

We note that your cabinet colleague Tony Clement intervened to preserve surplus lands as open space and soccer fields in his home riding of Brampton. Given the similarities of the Milton and Brampton lands, we can't understand why the rules are different for Milton.

Mr. Harris, you are the only one who can cut through all the nonsense and all the buck-passing occurring between various ministries and jurisdictions. On a word from your office, this park could be preserved. It could be taken off the market.

The Province could sell it to the Town for a reasonable price.

Or the Province could lease it back to the Town in return for our maintaining it. Obviously, there are issues here that transcend the raw real estate value of this land.

Mr. Premier, you come from a smaller community. As such, I'm sure you understand the true value of

open spaces. To us, E.C. Drury Park is priceless. Please, Mr. Harris, do something.

Craig Hughes
Friends of E.C. Drury Park
Milton



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Milton Farmers Market

Opens
Saturday May 22nd
7:00am - 12:00 noon

We are celebrating our 10th anniversary on Main Street and our 27th year of operation.

Join us every Saturday morning between 7:00 am and 12:00 noon, in Downtown Milton, on Main Street.

Our market vendors return to their favorite locations and welcome the opportunity to provide you with farm fresh products.

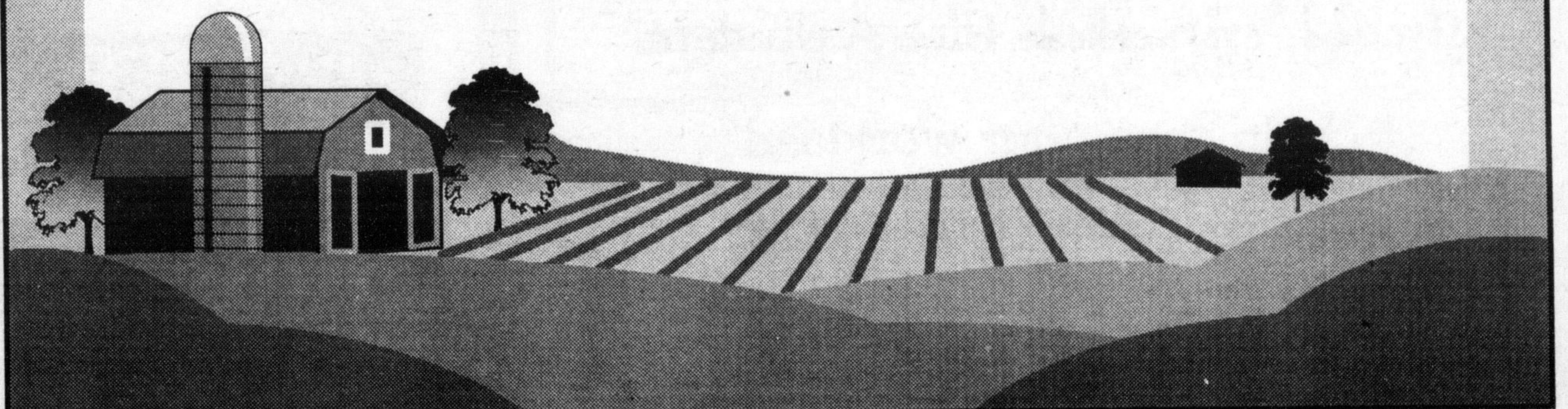
Our market can be proud of its history and place in the community. A Farmer's Market Ontario survey conducted in 1998, shows that the Milton market is one of the best in Ontario!

Our customers spend more per visit, stay longer than the provincial average and enjoy the atmosphere of the market most of all! Thanks to you, the market generates almost one million dollars in sales and that means almost three million is spent in our community as a direct result of our Farmers' Market!

Our customers support the Scholarship Café that supports the Chamber's \$2000 scholarship program to area high schools and Junior Achievement.

The Milton Farmers' Market is a community asset, you told us it serves to remind the community of its "country" heritage. Come for a visit on May 22nd and every Saturday morning throughout the season and discover why our market is Ontario's best!

For additional information on becoming a vendor call 878-0581



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