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REASON(S) FOR DELEGATION REQUEST (SUBJECT MATTER TO BE DISCUSSED)  
**Employment Area: employment land jobs (industrial, manufacturing, warehousing) and some office and population – related jobs. The lack of real sustainable employment in Peel. We need a Hard Urban Boundary and Delay any decisions until the pandemic is over, we need more public input, more meetings. Caledon is being gobbled up by high cost housing, urban sprawl and aggregate and warehousing. Not a green option**

A formal presentation will accompany my delegation  Yes  No

Presentation format:  PowerPoint File (.ppt)  Adobe File or Equivalent (.pdf)  
 Picture File (.jpg)  Video File (.avi,.mpg)  Other

Additional printed information/materials will be distributed with my delegation :  Yes  No  Attached

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**Subject:** FW: Delegation from Kathleen Wilson

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Please see my delegation and please add this to the minutes to make it part of public record.

Good morning Planning and Growth Development Committee and Regional Council

Thank you for letting me delegate on my concern on the need to define a Hard Urban Boundary to stop sprawl and my concern on the defined Employment lands for Peel Region. I am asking that Peel Region put a pause on their Official Plan Review until such time as the pandemic is resolved. The Land Needs Assessment and Intensification Analysis and Employment Lands required can't be appropriately addressed during the pandemic. The Public hasn't been given enough opportunities to review what these proposed changes will impact our future in Peel. What Peel needs to look at is how current planning practices will not meet the future needs and risks for Peel such as:

- Food Security
- Climate Change targets
- Urban sprawl
- Loss of Agricultural land and areas of environment sensitivity
- The future of work and education
- Preserving areas of high vulnerability from Development for profit

We need an approach for Peel that will incorporate the needs of future employment needs. As a High Tech employee for over 28 years, I am distressed that my company Microsoft, decided to leave Peel due to the lack of connected transit and the inability to attract top talent. Many employees with 6 figure salaries will no longer have Peel Region as their home, will move to Toronto or areas with better transit to support their commute to Toronto and support their work/life balance. I was proud that many of my peers moved to the Peel Region to live, but now many are selling their homes and moving to the Toronto area. The definition of type of employment needs does not take in account the work of the future, it focuses on low density sprawl of warehousing and manufacturing and not desirable income employment, that can sustain families in Peel.

I am saddened that our Employment goals are focused on employment land jobs (industrial, manufacturing, warehousing) and some office and population –related jobs. These jobs are not sustainable for residents to settle in Peel and purchase homes and live in the community where they work. Why does Peel Region focus on Employment lands that increase sprawl, like warehousing, forces more carbon based logistics and not enforce green requirements on companies to build up instead of out, and use renewable energy instead of diesel trucks?

With the intensification of warehousing, manufacturing and logistics, the Region of Peel will never make their Climate Change Requirements in 9 years. We need to start planning now as a region on how we implement our climate change initiatives and enforce businesses to adopt green policies and operations.

COVID and recent trends, have more people like me, working out of our homes. Working for Microsoft and commuting across the World and to Toronto to support our Customers. I am surrounded by my neighbours who don't work in manufacturing, warehousing and logistics yet live in Caledon, but can't work in Caledon as there is no sustainable employment for their skilled labour. We need more skilled labour and employment in Peel to support families with higher income jobs so they can afford their home and living expenses.

All I have seen during this pandemic is MZOs and plans to build more carbon emitting infrastructure and employment which is hazardous to our health and planet. I am asking the Region of Peel to define a Hard Urban Boundary, hold off on destroying Prime Agricultural land to house logistics and warehousing. The Region of Peel needs to modernize their planning practices as well as incorporate the jobs of the post COVID world. In 2051 many people will not be commuting to offices, but using their homes as their place of employment, and commuting to a hoteling experience to connect face to face with their peers once a week. I know this, as I have been living this way for over 9 years.

We need to protect our rural boundaries from sprawl, industrial uses and maintain our greenspace and food security. Canada needs to step up and make drastic changes so we reduce our emissions in 9 years. A Hard Urban Boundary will force modern planning and development and stop the endless sprawl of low paying employment lands and ensure a vital Peel for the future. Sustainable jobs for our residents.

We are asking that Peel Region put a pause on their Official Plan Review until such time as the pandemic is resolved and we can look at the real future of employment and keep our prime agriculture and the ORM safe. Making these hasty decisions will have a massive impact on the future of Peel. My Employer Microsoft has set targets to be carbon negative by 2030. What is the Region of Peel doing to support Climate Change?

Thank you

Kathleen Wilson

Water Advocate, Technology Visionary/Edutainer and climate change advocate