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I'm writing you this email because our little town has, and continues to, take a beating.

My name is Laura and I've been a resident of Bolton for 19 years now and my home is at the King and Coleraine area. I can, and do attest, to the disaster that has become Bolton but will reserve my judgement to my specific area and tell you it has become an absolute sh*t show. Trying to exit Ellwood is an absolute disgrace with transports galore whipping by and cars trying/having to rush out onto Coleraine in order to finally get on their way.

The train was bearable running once in a blue moon, but between the noise of transports flying by or using air breaks, people honking because of said transports, the rise in emergency vehicle sirens since these transports have taken to our roads is insane and very disturbing. I won't even get started on the air quality, which is very evident based on the debris in my back yard patio furniture compared to what it was like 5+ years ago. Daily the debris is evident – DAILY! I know this because I clean it – DAILY- so we can use our backyard furniture without having get filthy. The loss of vegetation combined with the CO2 emitted by these vehicles is detrimental to our wellbeing. Look at the bigger, long term picture. Aim high and look forward, what good could possible come from this?!

I'm wondering what the advantage is to permitting/ NOT SHUTTING DOWN nearly 200 illegal trucking yards in Caledon thus perpetuating others to come this way. How was allowing such an abundance of commercial buildings in a residential area a good idea? What was the thought process? Is it viewed as an advantage? Is not enough man power? Is it fear to address? I bet you its not the same amount of fear we as residence face every day trying to commute on our roads with the inconsiderate drivers of these enormous vehicles. You and I both know that in an accident, they will not be the one to bare the worst of it therefore leaving them no reason to be cautious.

I urge you to take stronger action, whatever that might be: monitoring and handing out consequences, stricter zoning regulations, alternate routes for these vehicles, etc. etc. It won't be easy but this needs to be addressed in urgency.

If you've made it this far into the letter, I truly appreciate your time.

Best Regards,

Laura