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**Subject:** Agenda Item 15.2.2 on Illegal Truck Yards - Council Meeting Tuesday, September 24, 2024

Dear Caledon Council,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing in regard to Agenda Item 15.2.2, scheduled for the council meeting on Tuesday, September 24th, concerning illegal truck yards in Caledon.

Since moving to Bolton in November 2020, I have seen firsthand the negative impacts these illegal trucking operations have had on our community, particularly along Albion Vaughan Road, which runs behind my house. I would like to share my personal experience and concerns with you, as the situation has steadily worsened over time.

**1. Noise Pollution:** The constant noise from trucks operating at all hours has severely disrupted the peace and quiet we once enjoyed in our neighborhood. It's become nearly impossible to have an undisturbed evening, and this issue has made it difficult to relax or even sleep through the night.

**2. Increased Traffic:** Albion Vaughan Road has become increasingly congested, with large trucks frequently passing through. This road wasn't designed to handle such heavy commercial traffic, and the constant flow of these trucks is creating dangerous conditions for residents and other drivers.

**3. Environmental Hazards:** Illegal truck yards often lack the proper infrastructure to manage waste and spills, increasing the risk of environmental contamination. I worry about the long-term damage to our local ecosystems, including the potential for soil and water pollution. This issue is not just about preserving our quality of life, but about protecting the environment that sustains us.

**4. Deteriorating Roads:** The wear and tear on roads like Albion Vaughan has become increasingly visible. The heavy trucks contribute to rapid road degradation, creating potholes and other road hazards that put all drivers at risk. The cost to repair these roads will likely fall on taxpayers, which is an unfair burden caused by illegal operations.

**5. Safety Concerns:** One of my biggest concerns is the lack of enforcement of basic road rules by these truck drivers. Speeding and reckless driving have become common occurrences. What was once a safe area to drive in has now become a source of anxiety for me, and many other residents, due to the aggressive behavior of some truck drivers. What's worse, I am noticing more accidents involving trucks and other drivers who, out of frustration, also engage in dangerous driving behaviors. This is a pattern that we cannot ignore or allow to escalate further.

According to \*[Insauga](#)\*, Caledon (in 2021) had nearly 200 illegal trucking yards, and I fear this number will continue to grow, especially considering the increased truck activity on the Vaughan side of Albion Vaughan. If this is not addressed swiftly and effectively, we will see even more adverse impacts on our community, our environment, and our safety.

The issue is clearly getting worse, and I urge the council to take decisive action to address this growing threat to our town. We need stricter enforcement, better monitoring, and support for proper zoning to curb this illegal activity. The future of our community depends on it.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my concerns. I hope the council will prioritize this matter and take meaningful steps to restore safety and peace to our roads and neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

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