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Clarington Board of Trade Consultation, June 10th 2008
Community Questions Summary

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What do you enjoy about your community?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community spirit, friendly. 2. The mix of rural and urban. 3. A downtown with character in Bowmanville. 4. Small community feel with quick access to the city (Toronto). 5. Small town feeling, people caring about each other. 6. The charming atmosphere and friendly people and community involvement. 7. Quiet, village living, location, still close to GTA. 8. The outdoors, small community. 9. Space, country atmosphere. 10. Family, focused, clean. 11. Can work and live in same area – I ride my bike to work.
How has Clarington changed in the past 10 years?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. More movement we are seeing a “rush hour” traffic blog. Positive, progressive growth. 2. More houses – open spaces starting to disappear. 3. Growth has been among highest in Canada. 4. Becoming a bedroom community. 5. Population has grown, less “sense of community”, greater business opportunities. 6. Strong growth in energy sector and more positive image about nuclear. 7. Better facilities, recreation areas, shopping. 8. Grown 9. Many more commuters have moved in. 10. Significant growth but not cluttered. 11. Population and residential growth.

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<p>What changes would make Clarington even better?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Better transportation. 2. More thought given to appearance, e.g. visual from 401. 3. Utilize waterfront for more than just industrial. 4. More local jobs, less commuting. 5. Keep people involved, varied growth. 6. Aggressive growth in economic development and new jobs (not retail). 7. More recreation. 8. Controlled growth. 9. More parks, theatre, industry. 10. Stop the strong retail mall program, repeating King St. Plaza look. 11. Slow down residential
<p>What sets Clarington apart from other communities?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Spirit, great mix of rural urban. 2. Mix of rural and small town – unique hamlets make up area and each one different with unique character – gives charm. 3. Extensive waterfront. 4. Good mix of suburban/agricultural areas. 5. A community made up of several distinct individual communities. 6. Green space. 7. Seems to have balanced growth. 8. Small town feeling and low crime. 9. A willingness on everyone's part to make it work. 10. Still presents a country, small town atmosphere. 11. "Rural" but proximate to GTA.

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<p>What issues need to be addressed in this Official Plan Review?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Land servicing and employment lands, smart growth. 2. Keep the balance of rural and protect agricultural lands. 3. Sprawl, sustainability and planned communities. 4. Servicing of employment lands, accelerate 407 extension. 5. Preventing us from becoming a total bedroom community with people who only sleep here. 6. Job growth and staying strong as an independent community within Durham and Canada. 7. Need more semi-industrial, light industry, science park. 8. Controlled growth. 9. The impact of oil prices on the whole place. Transportation, agriculture, etc. What do we want to look like. Can we not have a better image for our future than Wal-Mart? 10. Specify how we will attract higher profile employment. 11. Need serviced land – cannot wait for Pickering/Region to complete. Slow down residential. Bike lanes on many roads. Increase ration of jobs/residents – Clarington too low.