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Living Green Committee Community Consultation
Community Questions Summary

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What do you enjoy about your community?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Small community, close to rural and city resources. 2. Green space/parkland. 3. Community of communities. 4. Open spaces. 5. More bang for your dollar in terms of housing. 6. Proximity to rural environment. 7. It is where I raised my family and why I raised my family here. 8. Close parkland, walking distance to beautiful historic neighbourhood. 9. Rural environment.
How has Clarington changed in the past 10 years?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Greater residential growth with limited infrastructure development. 2. Population increase. 3. Big box growth/loss of small local business, e.g. Orono Hardware Store. 4. Substantial residential growth. 5. Increased residential growth. 6. Residential growth is up. 7. Attrition of industry and agriculture, increase of commercial. 8. The great open spaces. 9. Increased population; crowded schools; loss of jobs, lack of adequate social services especially for families in crisis. 10. Reduced public waterfront, more barren, reduction of small business, residential developments. Where did all the trees go? 11. Growth of huge residential areas and retail areas.

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<p>What changes would make Clarington even better?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Transit and community improvements. 2. Opportunity to make “neighbourhoods” not just housing (e.g. want to be able to walk to the milk store). 3. Maintain agricultural base and use it as our way to grow (jobs, etc.) 4. Bike lanes, park, transit. 5. More culture and passive recreation. 6. Balance between urban quality, economic growth and access to rural. 7. Not sure but in the last 2 years has been evidence of a change in the demographic culturally. 8. More “arts”. 9. More pedestrian pathways, leader in new energy technologies. 10. Ability to walk and bicycle safely
<p>What sets Clarington apart from other communities?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Large greenbelt and community spirit. 2. Agricultural lands and community/mix of urban and agricultural. 3. Rural/agricultural spaces. 4. Open space, good and bad distance and transportation issues. 5. A mix of rural and urban communities. 6. Compared to west, cheaper housing, compared to east, less culture. 7. Large proportion of rural. 8. Integration of renewable energy. Source in the energy mix through changes in zoning regulation. 9. Large rural/countryside/green space. Opportunity for wide public access to waterfront (Lake Ontario) vs. potential for industry we do not want. 10. Quick and easy access to rural areas. 11. Don’t know.

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<p>What issues need to be addressed in this Official Plan Review?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Waste, energy, transit, health/medical and community service improvements that are sustainable. 2. Transportation of people; need to grow residential “up” not “out” (in and out of Clarington, and within Clarington). 3. What do we want to be/to look like in 50 years. 4. A way to effectively manage multiple communities and multiple/duplicate servicing requirements (fire, libraries, rec. facilities, etc.) 5. Preservation of natural spaces. 6. How Clarington integrates into southern Ontario. 7. Concerns over attrition of industry and agriculture and increase of commercial as well as balance between urban quality, economic growth and access to rural, and to develop Clarington differently from the rest of the GTA. 8. Ease of access to the politician. 9. Protection of environment including especially air quality. 10. Too much pavement, public waterfront, greening development, brownfields development, closer ties to our agricultural community. 11. Written scenarios that review the way the future (three and 5 years) may develop.