

Dear Committee,

I am writing in the hopes of having you re consider the plight of Kelly's bake shop.

My daughter is vegan and can not have gluten. YOu can image what it is like to feed someone with these special need.

One day about three years ago my daughter told me that she had heard of a bake shop in Burlington that was vegan and gluten free.

The only places that I had ever been to in Burlington before were MEC and IKEA.

As we drove down Brant that first time going to Kelly's, I thought, WOW, Burlington is very beautiful--who knew!!!

Since then we have frequented Burlington. Going for dinner, walking along the water with our ice cream (my husband and I are not vegan).

What I see that Kelly's has done is brace the community and brings it together. There is always a line up and people stay around and chat. It also brings people, like me, to the community. If it were not for Kelly's I would still be thinking that Burlington was MEC, IKEA and a bridge that I have to cross to get to the boarder.

I hope that you will take this into consideration. I know that you are faces with many challenges and decisions, but I do hope that you are able to keep Burlington this larger city with a quaint small town feel.

Thank you,

Linda

A Guelph resident who likes Burlington now, thanks to Kelly's