

Today you'll hear a lot about what the community doesn't want on the Mount Nemo plateau. It was Nemo7G's project 11 years ago to seek out what the residents and businesses DID want to leave behind for their grandchildren and their grandchildren's grandchildren – thus the 7 generation plan was part of Nemo7G's name.

We did a mailing to businesses and homes within the boundaries of Dundas Street, Walkers Line, 8th Concession and Milborough Line inviting them to a series of evening workshops at the Lowville United Church. The City of Burlington recommended and paid for a facilitator to guide the meetings and produce a final report. Over three months, a vision developed and the final result is here:



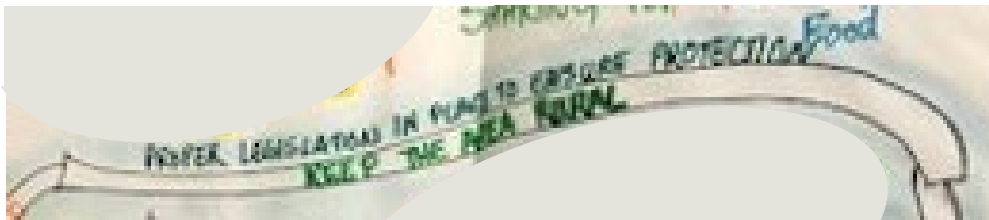
Highlighting some of the key issues



Less stuff – More life



Water is important

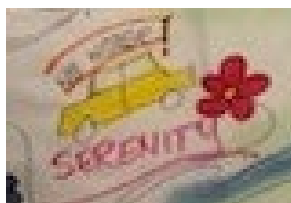


Proper legislation in place to ensure protection

Keep the area rural



Healing the quarry scar



No noise! Serenity



Living in harmony with our environment

The results of the Nemo7G workshops were presented to Mayor Rick Goldring and three interested City Councillors. This led to the City of Burlington's 2013 study on having the area designated as 'Natural Heritage' (see Appendix A below).

APPENDIX A

PUBLIC RESOLUTION (June 26, 2013) re: L-8-13

LONG-TERM PROTECTION OF THE MOUNT NEMO PLATEAU

WHEREAS the City of Burlington has initiated a 5 year review of the City's Official Plan, entitled, "Growing in Place";

WHEREAS as part of its Official Plan Review, the City undertook a public consultation/workshop with respect to the policies of its rural areas;

WHEREAS the Mount Nemo Plateau is a distinct landform that is essential to the ecology, community, economy and identity of the City of Burlington;

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Burlington is committed to exploring opportunities to better provide for the long-term protection, conservation, and preservation of the Mount Nemo Plateau;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

THAT staff of the Planning and Building Department, working in conjunction with the City Solicitor, are directed to carry out a preliminary examination of heritage issues on the Mount Nemo Plateau, to include:

1. review of existing property designations on the Plateau;
2. consideration of any new or future designations on the Plateau; and
3. recommendations, if any, on further study of heritage attributes and options regarding the Mount Nemo Plateau.

THAT staff be authorized to retain the assistance of one or more experts in heritage and/or rural land use planning to work with City staff and carry out appropriate research and formal reporting on this preliminary examination;

THAT \$70,000.00 be allocated from the Contingency Reserve to fund this preliminary examination and legal assistance;

THAT the Director of Planning and Building report back on the results of this preliminary examination of heritage issues in the fall of 2013 as part of a report on the Official Plan Review process.