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I wish to make a couple of brief deputations this evening regarding two issues on the Agenda.

#### 8.1 Official Plan Review - Proposed Policy

Directions, Policy Planning File No.

PP-2023-04

With regard to #7. Whitebelt land.

#7. It is my view that Whitebelt lands in King should only be considered for development once all available lands WITHIN THE EXISTING SETTLEMENT BOUNDARIES are exhausted. These Whitebelt lands are currently being farmed and with food security being a growing issue, with our very deteriorated relationship with the U.S. and the ravages of climate change, we need to preserve our tiny thread of arable land across Canada to guarantee food for the future. I ask Council to seriously think about the effect of continuing to build out into the land that feeds us.

#8. Re Settlement area Expansions. Inevitably these expansions encroach into Greenbelt lands that are often farmed lands and, as already stated above, our food security for the future.

Intensification within urban boundaries should be the policy for growth, keeping the Greenbelt intact for now and future generations. Whittling away at our Natural Heritage will make us poor stewards of the land that sustains us and our kids will curse us for doing that to them.

Sincerely,

Mary Bromley

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