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Supporting youth to make positive life choices.

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Re: SC32.21 1251 Bridletowne Circle – City Initiated Zoning Amendment – Final Report
Meeting of Scarborough Community Council, May 13, 2014

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Dear Scarborough Community Council members,

YouthLink has been offering services to young people in Toronto and Scarborough for many decades and this year we are celebrating our 100th anniversary. Last year we helped over 5000 Scarborough youth through a variety of outreach services, and many of those youth were residents of the Steeles-L'Amoreaux/Bridletowne neighbourhood.

It has become evident through our work with these youth and their families that a proposed service such as the Bridletowne Neighbourhood Centre would be invaluable for not only the youth but the community as a whole. It would offer for the vulnerable youth of the area a central, convenient access point for the variety of services they need to help them become productive, contributing members of our community – such essential resources as mental health, recreation, the arts and employment would all be available at one, safe, professionally operated location.

For a youth at risk, and a family anxiously searching for help for their child, the Bridletowne Neighbourhood Centre would offer hope and options in a convenient and accessible neighbourhood location.

We strongly support this initiative and urge Scarborough Community Council to approve the proposed report.

Yours sincerely,

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