



April 14th, 2026

To: Wenderly Park Community Association

Dear Stephanie, Joe, and the Wenderly Park Community Association,

Thank you for writing my office regarding your concerns about development in the community and, in particular, the City of Toronto's *Growing Marlee-Glencairn Study*. We appreciate the opportunity to clarify the respective roles of the Province of Ontario and the City of Toronto in local land use planning.

The City of Toronto has the authority to determine zoning, density, and the future growth of neighbourhoods through local planning processes. These initiatives are developed by the City, informed by community consultation, and guided by City Council.

The Province's role in planning is to establish a broad policy framework that supports responsible growth across Ontario, including measures to increase housing supply and promote transit-oriented development. Working collaboratively with the City of Toronto, our government has approved Toronto's housing plan to help deliver more homes in areas identified by the City as appropriate for growth.

As part of this process, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing approved Toronto's plan to permit additional housing near certain transit stations. These locations were identified and proposed by the City of Toronto. It is important to note that the Ministry confirmed Glencairn Station was not included in Toronto's approved plan and is not impacted by these changes.

The *Growing Marlee-Glencairn Study* itself is a City-led planning exercise and not a provincial requirement. Decisions arising from this study — including any future land use, zoning, or development permissions — remain under the authority of the City of Toronto and will ultimately be determined by City Council, guided by local input and your elected City Councillor.

Our government firmly believes that decisions about neighbourhood growth and development are best made at the local level by municipal governments and local representatives, not at Queen's Park. The Province's role is not to direct local developments but to support municipalities within a consistent, province-wide planning framework.

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Thank you again for your engagement. I encourage residents to continue sharing their perspectives directly with the City of Toronto, your local City Councillor, and through the ongoing consultation opportunities associated with the Growing Marlee-Glencairn Study. I would also be pleased to meet with members of the community, alongside Councillor Colle, to further clarify the Province's role and address any outstanding questions.

Sincerely,

Michelle Cooper, MPP
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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michelle Cooper".