

John Taylor
Mayor
Town of Newmarket

Dear John:

Developers want what they want as we saw in the case of the bylaw-denying proposal for a post office apartment monstrosity on Main Street. The protected lands that are such a gleam in the self-interested eyes of Shining Hill Estates are the town's natural patrimony and heritage. Any answer other than "No" makes the town biddable to whatever monied interest comes forward with residential proposals for protected land. This proposal needs to be stopped dead in its tracks. Equivocation is what developers are looking for and we can't let them build their upwardly-mobile "estates" (a pretentious term designed to "upscale" the whole thing) because heritage and natural patrimony mean little or nothing to them despite whatever pious denials they might make. Council's answer should be an unequivocal "NO". This land belongs to the town and must remain future parkland or nature reserve. End of story.

Yours,
John Lennox