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Good Morning Heather

On or about March 21, 2018 I left you a message to advise I could not attend the Public Meeting at UCC property as I had a long standing therapy apt. that could not be rescheduled.

Imagine my surprise when I only learned last week of the plans for the Old Church Manse and Our Community Park. From what I understand I am not the only one to be surprised by this proposal. . Sadly, because the Village is too small, I cannot make my opinions known publicly. The most appropriate vehicle for sharing of information would have been through the Norval Community Association. Sadly there hasn't been no notification of a meeting in years.

I do not feel that Norval is a suitable location for this Museum firstly because of the traffic and chaos this would create at or near the Church and the Child care Centre. The disruption to the quality of life we have come to love in Norval would be threatened, most especially for the residents on Draper St. Secondly that sight is on Septic and it would not be appropriate for the many anticipated tourists. Thirdly parking is problematic as the Church parking lot is not appropriate for crowds, most especially when the church is in use for their own activities.

Most importantly, I am concerned for the eroding of the community use of the park. In 1986 I spoke with Delmer French of the Town

regarding the loss of use of our local playground as it was now fenced off and in use solely for the Georgetown Day Care Centre. I remember the date as our son was 8 years old and wanting to ride his bicycle on the highway to get to the closest playground. In fact, the Daycare centre has since replaced all of our equipment. Although the equipment was rather dated it still belonged to the community of the day. The location of the playground is brilliantly located as it is least disruptive to the neighbouring homes. The town, in fact, has received rent for the Community School for all those years and has given nothing back to Norval for our tax \$\$\$. From holding a Community event to Voting we no longer have access without huge cost to the locals. In fact this year it became a "three hour tour" for us to mark an x on a ballot.

Lastly I will say that I truly loved Lucy Maude Montgomery and adored all of her books. However she should be celebrated in PEI where "Kindred Spirits" truly belong. Or as in Leaksdale the plaque on the side of the Manse is more appropriate in our much loved Village.

My contact information is below. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions

Regards

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