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Attention : Robert Minotti

**Re : Telecom tower network project,  
chemin de l'Étang Sugar Loaf, Potton**

Good day Mr. Minotti

The Board of Directors of Potton Heritage Association is aware of Bell Mobility's plan to construct a telecom tower on property situated on Sugarloaf Pond Road in Potton.

You already know that our Association is committed to the protection of the magnificent landscapes of Potton; and for that reason, we hereby add our voice to others regarding this latest project.

That Potton has bailed out Bell Mobility in the face of the opposition mounted by our sister municipalities of Bolton-est and Austin, has both astonished and alarmed our Association. Would you kindly tell us what has motivated this particular choice, and as well, explain the absence of alternative solutions? What is the extent of the zone covered by this project?

If we understand correctly the tower will be 74 meters high, or 242 feet. It goes without saying that a tower of that height will have a major impact on the landscape of the area. According to the best information we can obtain, and, to add insult to injury for the Sugar Loaf Pond residents, this enormous tower will do nothing whatsoever to improve access to wireless service in the immediate area.

Furthermore, we also note non-respect of the protocol of April 2013 adopted by the Potton municipal council insofar as minimal distances to be respected between a tower and any nearby residences.

*(Protocole d'implantation de système d'antennes de télécommunications)*

Our obvious preference would be for no more towers to mar Potton; however we are aware that many citizens still lack and would like access to wireless service. We are therefore proposing that you consider reducing the height of the Sugar Loaf tower to the minimum feasible. Not only would this lessen the visual impact on our landscape; but it would also eliminate the need for aircraft warning lights, thereby removing an irritant for many.

With the aim of respect for our landscapes, and in the hope of aiding our fellow citizens, we would ask that you investigate and find alternative solutions for the residents of the Sugar Loaf Pond area. Fiber optics would be an interesting avenue to explore.

Already there are a number of telecom towers in Potton. Quite apart from the Sugar Loaf proposition, another seems to be in the offing, somewhere in the vicinity of chemin Baker in Potton. Please share your other location plan studies for our Township in order that our citizens and municipal council may evaluate the full picture rather than being obliged to react piecemeal as heretofore.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sandra Jewett', with a long horizontal stroke underneath.

Sandra Jewett  
President  
Potton Heritage Association

c. c. Conseil municipal de la municipalité du Canton de Potton