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Dear Woolwich Township Council,

Thank-you for hearing our voices lifted with concern over your decision to remove Middlebrook Bridge. I feel there was not due diligence on your part to ensure a large enough percentage of citizens/community groups be informed about the documented demise of the structure and your decision to remove it.

After the sudden placement of colossal barricades in April, I started a community group on social media, Save Middlebrook Bridge, to gather people who choose to vote for the bridge to be rehabilitated. I represent a group of 156 citizens and counting, who ask for the bridge to stay allowing pedestrians/bikers/hikers to use for safe and enjoyable access across the river to the beautiful trails, trout fishing and sanctuary in nature that the bend in the river allows to flourish there.

I ask if Council have fulfilled the further recommendations in the Cultural Heritage Evaluation and Heritage Impact Assessment to file their report with the heritage staff at the Region of Waterloo, Woolwich Heritage Committee and with the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport for review and be added to the *Woolwich Municipal Heritage Register*?

Please act in support of the will of your citizens and find a way to allocate funds that will conserve or sympathetically replace this structure of Heritage Value as recommended in the Assessment.

Your community is strong and we have members offering to find ways to raise funds/apply for grants/generate support to maintain the bridge for many generations to enjoy and feel connected to nature, local heritage and the traditional craftsmanship found in the historic steel truss structure.

Many thanks for your time and consideration,

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