Brookville, Long Island, New York

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Dear Brookville Resident,

We are writing to you as concerned residents of the Village of Brookville and attendees at the Tam O'Shanter subdivision meeting on March 26, 2024.

It has become apparent that there are numerous issues with this project. While some have been communicated adequately, many have not been communicated at all. We are surprised at the rapid progress this planning application has taken without a full understanding of the environmental impact, quality of life impact and the impact on the safety of our children and our neighbors.

In summary, there is a general lack of communication regarding the project and the planning process.

The environmental impact is significant, considering, but not limited to, the following:

- High levels of arsenic and mercury in the soil
- Groundwater contamination
- Airborne ejection of dust and heavy materials while the soil is being processed on site or removed and transported from the site
- Transportation requirements to remove soil approximately 27,000 dump truck trips to and from the site (approximately 1.62 billion pounds<sup>1</sup>)
- CO<sub>2</sub> vehicle traffic pollution (approximately 820,000 pounds<sup>2</sup>)
- Infrastructure wear and tear

A handful of residents are trying to gain traction to better understand this project and to obtain more information related to finding the best path forward that is in the best interest of the community.

As concerned members of the community, we need to effectively voice our concerns to the planning board and village leadership. We are also looking for volunteers and asking for your input and participation in planning the next steps to get a full assessment of the impact on our community and explore alternatives to this project.

<sup>1. 27,000</sup> trips x 60,000 lbs. (average of laden / unladen truck)

<sup>2.</sup> Diesel carbon content per gallon: 2,778 grams / 6.12 lbs. with average 5 gallons per trip x 27,000 trips

We are asking our neighbors to do the following:

- Get on our e-mail list (sign up on our website)
- Urge others to join, ask them if they got this letter, make sure that we have their address
- Visit our website villageresidents.org and point it out to others
- Support the Village Residents Party financially

Sincerely,

The Tam O'Shanter Committee

of the Village Residents Party

#### The Village Social Hour

The Village Residents Party will take over the Village Social Hour, which has not been held for a number of years. We hope that we will see you at the next Village Social Hour, which we plan to hold in October 2025. We will get the specifics to you ASAP so that you can mark you calendars and save the date.

The Village Social Hour was the best known and best attended local community event. Over the years, the event was held at a number of locations, including the Tam O'Shanter Club, Planting Fields, the de Seversky Center, C. W. Post College's Hillwood Commons "Top of the Commons," the Harrison House Conference Center, the East Norwich Inn (then known as Burt Bacharach's) and several other locations. It was held in the fall, within a few weeks of election day. We could always count on a good turnout of elected officials, who saw it as a prime campaign opportunity. The residents appreciated the rare treat of socializing with their neighbors. Sometimes, the host venue generously donated food and staff. Sometimes, there was live music. It was a signature event and we hope to bring it back on the same scale.

Originally, the entire Village of Brookville was invited and the event was known as the "All Village Social Hour." As the original host organization expanded into Upper Brookville and then Old Brookville, the roster became too long to invite everyone. At that point, only dues-paying members of the host organization were invited.

Please sign up for our mailing list so that we can keep you informed about the planning and preparation for this event. Go to **villageresidents.org** We do not expect to send much postal mail.

#### **Donation Form**

Mail to: Village Residents Party, PO Box 105, Glen Head, NY 11545

	☐ Standard donation:	\$50	
	Additional donation:	\$	
	Total amount enclosed:	\$	
Name:			
Address:			
Telephone:			
E-mail:			

- Your e-mail address is essential in order to place you on a low volume (typically 1 or 2 items per month), announcements-only mailing list. We will probably not be able to send much postal mail. Your e-mail address will be kept confidential.
- Please make your check payable to "Village Residents Party" and mail to: Village Residents Party, PO Box 105, Glen Head, NY 11545-0105
- You can pay dues by credit card using our website at villageresidents.org/contact
  Payment options include credit cards, debit cards, Apple Pay, PayPal, e-checks and more
- You can use your phone to **text VRP to 888-444-8774**
- Please feel free to give us your comments on the back of the form or via e-mail at: staff@villageresidents.org Please send address corrections there, as well.



#### **About Us**

The VRP is a registered PAC. Being village-level, we filed disclosure forms with the Village Clerk of the Incorporated Village of Brookville for about 30 years. They are considered to be public documents and are open to public inspection. We now file electronically at the state level.

Please visit our website **villageresidents.org**. We have a substantial archive that dates back to our early years. Sign up for our mailing list, to be certain of receiving further communications.

One of our top priorities will be to bring in new personnel and, ultimately, to turn over to the next generation of civic and political leaders the care and management of these private organizations.

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