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Mayor Robinson and Members of Council:

I am writing this email because I feel the need to address the state of the public spaces in Durham.

My husband and I moved to town five years ago but he has strong roots in the area and we have spent many pleasant stays in the vicinity. During our visits we were always impressed with the beauty of the area and the pride residents seemed to take in their parks and green spaces.

Once we had relocated here we enjoyed having friends and family visit from the "big cities" and they commented on what a great town we had chosen and how well kept the surroundings were. There seemed to be a real community feel here.

It seems that the last few years have seen an alarming change in Durham. Some of this may be the result of Covid restrictions but it breaks my heart to see the horrible condition of certain spaces including Vickers Park, the tennis courts and the area around the Town Hall.

Hopefully something can be done to improve these spaces and bring this lovely town back to its previous glory.

Yours sincerely
Debi Dillabough