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Subject: Prime Minister's Path

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To Our Wilmot Councillors,

I previously sent emails to Mayor Natasha and to Councillors Lillianne and Steven regarding the Prime Minister's Path. (part of the official record) With the ***Prime Minister's Path: Options for Next Steps*** Report CAO-2024-03 that has been prepared by the Wilmot Township Staff, I now include all Councillors.

I am a member of the Wilmot Ecumenical Working Group on Indigenous/ Settler Relations, created in 2017 to respond to the TRC's 94 Calls to Action, in its specific calls to the churches. I am working to learn about the history of Canada that was not part of the school curriculum in Ontario and Canada during my education, particularly that of Residential Schools.

I fully support the Staff Recommendation to adopt **Option 1, Maintain Current Direction and Create a Working Group Comprised of a Balanced Representation of the Individuals and Communities within Wilmot Township**. This issue is not one that can be quickly resolved, and needs much thought, discussion and work from all to heal the divisiveness in our community.

Respectfully,

Catherine Bowman

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