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Planning Department  
The Corporation of the Township of North Dumfries

**RE: Intention of land-use for potential gained lands at 1402 Wrigley Road.**

With the addition of one acre of agricultural land to our lot, we would like to retain the currently permitted uses of the subject lands as per section 7.5.1 of the zoning bylaw:

*Farming (except sod farming, commercial greenhouses) including the following accessory uses:*

- a) any barn, shed, building or structure required as part of the farm operation*
- b) sale of products grown or raised on the premises*
- c) a farm-related occupation*

Our intention is to grow a small-scale, diversified vegetable garden to produce local, organic, and healthy food for sale to the community. We grow fruits and vegetables with nature in mind, using native plants to create a biodiverse landscape - which in turn supports the farm through natural pest control, wind-breaks and soil enhancement. All of this is done at human-scale, with minimal noise- and pollution-emitting equipment. Vegetables grown by hand and hand-tools can be grown very densely, resulting in a profitable farm business that adds to the character and economic activity of the rural neighborhood.

Such a farm would protect and enhance the use of prime agricultural land in the township; support climate change mitigation by securing a local food supply; and would align with the Township's goal to foster compact, vibrant and complete communities. The proposed project would improve and enhance the visual impact and natural features of the rural settlement area. All of our neighbours are supportive and encouraging of this project.

The subject lands are already used for summer pasture for a herd of up to nine cattle. We have spoken with all of the neighbours who share a view of the subject lands - and we all agreed that the view of cows on pasture is idyllic and adds greatly to our enjoyment of living in the countryside. It is also our intention to keep a small, non-commercial herd of mixed-species livestock (chickens, cows, sheep) on some of the existing pasture, and we would like to retain the ability to do so. The ability to maintain our own small herd of livestock would add to the character of the neighbourhood and help us realize our ideal of producing food for our family.

Should you have any questions or need further clarification please reach out via phone or email.

Sincerely,

Alexandra Powell and Matthew Precious