



GREATER SUDBURY FIRE
SERVICES

OPEN AIR BURNING BY-
LAW REVIEW
COUNCIL PRESENTATION
MARCH 5, 2008

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• PROCESS:

- SUMMER 2007 - SOME CITIZENS CONTACTED THEIR COUNCILLORS - CONCERNS ABOUT SMOKE
- OCTOBER 2007 - MEETING WITH FIRE CHIEF, MAYOR, COUNCILLOR DUTRISAC AND TWO MEMBERS OF HER WARD
- FIRE CHIEF SUBSEQUENTLY DIRECTED BY COUNCIL TO HOLD PUBLIC INPUT SESSIONS AS PART OF BY-LAW REVIEW PROCESS
- FIRE CHIEF DIRECTED TO REPORT BACK TO COUNCIL BY MARCH 31, 2008

LOCATION	DATE	APPROXIMATE	APPROXIMATE % FOR	APPROXIMATE %
CITY COUNCIL	Jan. 14, 2008	ATTENDANCE	70	AGAINST
GARRISON ARENA	Jan. 15, 2008	75	95	5
CHELMSFORD ARENA	Jan. 17, 2008	50	90	10
T.M. DAVIES ARENA	Jan. 21, 2008	60	90	10
HOWARD ARMSTRONG CENTRE	Jan. 23, 2008	200	99	1
TOTALS (weighted averages)		485	90	10

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- 5 PUBLIC INPUT SESSIONS
- ROUGHLY 500 PARTICIPANTS PLUS MANY MORE INPUTS
- FIRE CHIEF IS NOT EMPOWERED TO ENFORCE THE E.P.A. – CONTACT M.O.E.
- THREE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM FIRE CHIEF

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- RECOMMENDATIONS:
 - ALLOW WINTER DAYTIME BURNING
 - ALLOWANCE FOR CEREMONIAL AND OTHER CULTURALLY SIGNIFICANT EVENTS
 - CHANGE DISTANCE FROM STRUCTURES TO 20 FEET (FROM 10 FEET)
 - CHANGE PROCEDURES SO THAT FIRE SERVICES WILL NOT RESPOND TO SMOKE COMPLAINTS

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- QUESTIONS ???????