



169th Glen Allan

Brian Cottell, Group Commissioner
43 Crystal Way, Sherwood Park, AB.

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June 11th, 2019

Strathcona Park Rugby Football Club
Attn: Mr. Larry Wall
Sherwood Park, AB.

Dear Mr. Wall,

Continued Tenancy by SPRFC of the Sherwood Park West T.U.C.

It is with great surprise and significant disappointment that we at the 169th Glen Allan Scout Group, heard news of the prospect that your organization would not have upon its expiry, your tenancy agreement with Alberta Infrastructure extended.

As you are well aware, our Scout Group with the concurrence of Alberta Infrastructure, has for several years occupied a small portion of your site on the T.U.C.. We appreciate greatly the flexibility and generous support your club has shown us in permitting the storage of our two equipment storage containers on the site. Without these being so conveniently located in such close proximity to Sherwood Park, we would be hard-pressed to continue delivery of our valued Scouting programs to local youth.

We too are worried at the prospect that despite Rugby Club's tremendous efforts at remediation of the land, significant financial outlay at upgrading the sports fields and equipping the site, plus year-over-year meticulous maintenance of the property, you might not be permitted to continue your tenancy. The SPRFC's tenancy falls fully within the recreational activities defined as possible "Secondary Uses" for the land. This arrangement adds to the quality of life for both our community's youth and adults alike. Plus, no one can ever suggest that your occupancy of this small portion of T.U.C. land, impairs, damages or degrades the surface or sub-surface purposes of the corridor. To the contrary, your organization does everything possible to protect both. The heaviest equipment ever observed on the property are your lawnmowers routinely manicuring the playing fields. Additionally, we have recently observed that installation of additional pipeline(s) is not in any way defeated by the Rugby Club's presence on the property.

To what end would your displacement positively impact the existence or future development of our T.U.C.? It is our firm position that there exists no reason for discontinuing your tenancy agreement. To say the least, we are exceptionally concerned with this prospect and pledge our vigorous support in every way possible, to have your (and our) use of this vital property extended.

Beyond sending a copy of this letter to our Strathcona County Mayor and Council members, plus the Minister of Alberta Infrastructure, I will be forwarding it to our 165 current Scouting families in hopes to gain further support for a reversal of this unnecessary and tremendously damaging decision.

I look forward to continuing the discussion on this critical issue. Please feel free to contact me personally should your Club need anything from the 169th Glen Allan Scout Group.

Yours in Scouting.



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