

The right to live!

To whom it may concern,  
I have been a resident of Greenfield Park for 35 years! 32 of those years  
have been a wonderful place to live and bring up 3 children.

Since DashL has taken over the control of St. Hubert Airport...it is HELL!! I  
would **never** buy in this area at this time.

I pay taxes (that have gone up again significantly this year)

**1. residential...yet I cannot sit on my deck or in my backyard in the  
summer, in the summer planes fly well after midnite and I have been  
awakened before 5AM by these planes**

**2. business... yet I cannot work with windows open if I want to be  
able to hear my clients...it is becoming difficult to hear on my phone  
even with my windows shut.**

The Ville de Longueuil has provided us with containers to recycle glass,  
paper, plastic, metal  
*to protect the earth*

we cannot wash with phosphates...  
*to protect the earth*

we cannot put herbicides on our lawn  
*to protect the earth*

*our cars must have mufflers  
to reduce noise levels*

*if we have parties...  
we must finish by 11pm - not to disturb our neighbours*

**YET no one is concerned that we the taxpayers of Longueil**

- have to endure rediculously high noise levels - MUCH higher than any car or party
- not just one or 2 neighbours are affected but thousands WELL after midnite
- are forced to breath in the kerosene from these planes
- we cannot sit outside in our gardens or on our decks
- we must live shut in our homes with airconditioners running as it is impossible to sit inside with windows open

- forced to use more energy - bad for the environment and bad for our wallets
- live with the fear - one of these planes will one day crash into our homes.
- worry about our health, the health of our children, friends, pets

How can anyone justify students flying over residential areas?

There is NO quality of life left in Greenfield Park.

When we looked for a house in 1974.. we wanted to be on a crescent, we did not want to be near any highway for noise or to breath in car exhaust, we wanted to be a fair distance from trains...on Antle street we found it! St. Hubert airport was never a problem. No one ever complained...life was good and healthy.

I did call the airport to complain and have spoken with M. Beaudoin, the manager of Dash L...

- when I mentioned seeing 2 small airplanes playing leapfrog over our homes... I was told that the airport allowed these 2 planes to take off and do this as they wanted to take pictures!!!! OVER OUR HEADS! How ABSURD and IRRESPONSIBLE!
- among other things I also mentioned that the CONSTANT noise from these planes buzzing my home he was putting down the evaluation of my home. My home that I am trying to keep up...my biggest investment! His response was "Madame what you do is have the people visit on rainy days when we aren't flying"!!!!

**M. Beaudoin seems to feel hiding the truth is the way to do business!**

I attended several meetings last summer and was shocked with the rudness and lack of respect given to the citizens of Longueuil who were trying to defend/protect their rights. It would appear from those meetings that we have no rights.

The solution of using Mirabel is a perfect one. The runways, the control tower and empty fields to buzz.

The favorite comment from our previous administration was that the airport was independant! Do the airport personnel and pilots not use

- Longueuil streets to get to the airport

- Are these same streets not cleaned and maintained by the employees of Longueuil
- Is it not Longueuil water they drink and use to wash their facilities
- If there is a problem, would the police of Longueuil not be called
- I there is a fire would they not need the firemen of Longueuil
- etc

ARE NOT ALL THESE SEVICES AND FACILITIES PAID BY THE TAXPAYERS OF LONGUEUIL? They are **not** independant!

It is the duty of the City officials voted in by the taxpayers to look out for the welfare of the taxpayer.

We the citizens of Longueuil...have the right

- to breath clean air,
- a right to sit quietly on our decks and in our yards,
- a right to be in our houses with the windows open,
- a right to sleep
- a right to feel safe in our homes

Once there is an accident it will be too late.

I have one final question, WHY it not made known that this study was being done?...that there were dates open to the public?...EVERY household in Longueuil should have received a special bulletin about this. NO ONE I know knew anything about this study. With a budget of \$250,000 of our tax money... the citizens should have been informed.

I offer you, Mr Flanagan, my deck...please come...not for a day ... spend a month in the summer. Watch the continuous flow of planes... there are usually a min of 2 in site at a time... LISTEN to the roar and I do mean ROAR of their engines...take a deep breath and enjoy the pollution in the air... slide your hand across the patio table and feel/see the slim that you have just picked up....and THEN tell me what you think.

I would be happy to present my complaint at the meetings next week.

I await your reply.  
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