

## Seniors for Climate Action Now December 2022

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**The bill passed Nov. 28. But it ain't over...**

### **Bill 23 – astonishing and gratifying grassroots movement**

Housing advocates and climate activists have come together, galvanized by this horrendous so-called housing bill. SCAN! members joined and continue to join some of the dozens of pop-up rallies which are contributing to mobilizing a grassroots climate action movement.

We have been scrambling to continually update the web site with dozens of actions people can take either at home or in the street. Keep your eye on the [home page](#).

Here is a report on some of those actions.

## Actions and events

**SCAN! signed on to the Toronto Climate Action Network (TCAN) statement calling for the withdrawal (or repeal, if passed) of Bill 23.**

**To give you an idea of the scope of organizing around Bill 23 and The Greenbelt, look at this:**

## Pop-ups as of this writing:

Ajax - Brockville - Oakville - Orangeville - Stratford - Strathroy -  
Barrie - Cornwall - Hamilton (Ancaster) - Peterborough Richmond  
Hill – Scarborough - Smiths Falls - Stayner - Whitby Hamilton  
(Flam-Glan) - Holland Landing - Kingston - York South  
Weston – Beaches East York - Grimsby - Ottawa - Brantford -  
Fergus - Kitchener/Waterloo - Lindsay - Sundridge –  
Peterborough - Alliston - Bracebridge - Georgetown – Hamilton -  
Huntsville - Milton - Owen Sound - Port Hope - Etobicoke  
Beamsville - Burlington - Hamilton - Pickering - Midland - Orillia  
Rossmore/Belleville – Thorold - Collingwood - Wasaga Beach -  
Blue Mountain.

**A clear message: [#HandsOffTheGreenbelt](#)**

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## **Piccini protest – report from Port Hope in front of the Environment Minister's office (see photo above)**

In the [news](#) and on the ground:

SCAN! member Marie-Lynn Hammond, well known Canadian singer/songwriter, led the crowd in song in front of Minister Piccini's office. Watch it [here](#).

There were nearly 200 people and the weather cooperated. It looked and felt like a success. Several SCAN! members were there with SCAN! postcards in hand. The weather cooperated, though cold and windy.

There was a lot of singing, and a talk by an elder from a neighbouring indigenous community. Aside from leading the crowd in song, Marie-Lynn Hammond spoke about the role of seniors in climate action, and suggested that everyone should join SCAN! The rally began at 11 AM. There were still dozens at 12:30 PM. The energy of the rally was amazing. The music really added that 'protest' feel.

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## Report from Past Issues Kingston



*Photo credit Lawrence Scanlan*

Over two hundred enthusiastic Kingstonians gathered on a gloomy Sunday morning in front of City Hall to protest the Ford government's wrecking ball. And, in particular, the attack on Conservation Areas. The crowd heard from two former Kingston mayors, a newly elected city councillor and representatives of Ontario Nature and Kingston Youth Climate Action.

Former Mayor Helen Cooper pointed out that the Conservation Areas were started in 1946 and added, “They are a superb example of how municipalities sharing one watershed can work cooperatively and productively together.” [Past Issue](#)’s

The protesters greeted speakers with roars of approval and noisemakers: tambourines, bells and a string of rattling llama toenails.

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## Outside Premier Ford’s office



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Mute the ads and then watch this terrific [coverage](#) on Greenbelt protests.

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## Keep it up

**Environmental Defence** listed actions planned around the province. Here is the [link](#) to current and future rallies. Join one if you can.

**Ontario Climate Emergency Campaign** has been a leader in the climate emergency response in Ontario. Its newsletter has updates and actions that advocates will find timely and useful.

We recommend you sign up for the OCEC [newsletter](#). Scroll to the bottom of the home page.

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## SCAN! signed on

Ontario Clean Air Alliance (OCAA) is demanding that the federal Liberal/NDP governing coalition strengthen our clean energy standards. They invited groups and individuals to send a letter to Prime Minister Trudeau and NDP leader Jagmeet Singh.

SCAN! has joined the groups signing on.

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## For your files

We thought you chart lovers might want [this](#) for your files.

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## Mourning Member Maureen Holloway

The first Northumberland SCAN! meeting was at Maureen Holloway's house in Cobourg on August 18. Her medical condition deteriorated after that. On Oct 29 she wrote:

*I enjoyed meeting with you all in August and I was looking forward to getting to know more of the group at another get together. It is seldom that I see so many like-minded people. Unfortunately, my health has declined since August. I need more oxygen than I can transport so I cannot leave my home.*

*My active activism days are limited to trying to convince my neighbours. I thank SCAN!, for all the work they have been doing. I continue to read the resources that are posted. I hope you and the other Northumberland members enjoy another opportunity to Past Issues get together soon.*

Maureen was actively engaged with the Facebook page and frequently commented on articles posted.

Unfortunately, Maureen recently passed away. Our condolences to her friends and family.

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[We wish you happy holidays, good health and look forward to our future activism together.](#)

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**We encourage you to read our FB posts and Tweets. We post articles every day. Please share and retweet to get the word out.**

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*Supporters are welcome to join as members any time. Go to the [web site](#) and click on "join us"*

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