

Tree Preservation & Environmental Stewardship:

We would like to thank the community for their ongoing support while the site begins its transformation. We understand that seeing equipment arrive and tree removal begin is jarring, especially for those of you whose properties border the site.

This letter is intended to provide clarification and reassurance that tree management activities associated with Keaton's House children's hospice (the "Project") have been, and will continue to be, carried out in accordance with the approved Arborist Report and Tree Management Plan, as endorsed by the City of Hamilton Urban Forestry.

Kemp Care Network has taken care to ensure that all tree removal and management activities align with applicable City of Hamilton policies and requirements. The Arborist Report and Tree Management Plan (prepared by JK Consulting Arborists, dated December 11, 2025) was developed in collaboration with the broader project team—including architects, engineers, landscape architects, and planners—to thoughtfully support the approved site design.

Decisions regarding tree removal were made following careful, tree-by-tree assessments. These considerations included the health and condition of each tree, as well as the requirements for grading, servicing, and overall site layout. The rationale for these decisions has been documented within the Arborist Report and Tree Management Plan reviewed by the city.

We are grateful for the understanding and patience of neighbouring residents and the broader public as we move forward with this important project, which will provide much-needed care and support for seriously ill children and their families.

For more information on the project please visit [Keaton's House Capital Campaign](#)

We are grateful to our neighbours and community members for their care, their feedback, and their continued support.