

Incineration issue draws crowd to Regional Council

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DURHAM -- The incineration issue is front-and-centre at Durham Regional Council today and almost 100 people, many seated in the aisles, have packed the council chambers in Whitby this morning.

Among the spectators are dozens set to speak to Council on the issue. Of the 43 people registered to address Council, 41 are commenting on the proposed energy-from-waste facility. Proponents and opponents of the project consider today's meeting to be key as council is considering endorsing a Courtice property as the preferred site for the facility.

Speakers have up to 10 minutes to express their thoughts. As a result, the meeting, which kicked off at 10 a.m., is expected to extend well into the afternoon.

Ajax Regional Councillor Colleen Jordan proposed dealing with the incineration issue directly after the speakers finish, but she did not receive the necessary two-thirds support from Council to do so.