United Technologies Corp has finalized plans to remediate the Broad Brook Mill site, located on Main Street in the Broad Brook section of East Windsor. The plan calls for piling heavily contaminated soil on site behind the Congregational Church in what they call a consolidation area. This plan will leave the mill property largely undevelopable. The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) will place restrictions on its use. It is not likely that a developer will be willing to invest in redevelopment of the property. It will sit as a contaminated waste dump forever. It will have a lasting effect on Broad Brook center.

In January the Board of Selectmen formed a committee to review and work with UTC to modify the plan so that the remediated site will enhance the village of Broad Brook. Not destroy it. To be effective, the committee needs public support. UTC is a public minded company. The citizens of East Windsor must speak up so that they understand the importance of this issue. We cannot allow the current plan to create a contaminated soil dump, that’s unacceptable. The long term effect and risk to Broad Brook is immeasurable. It will destroy the beauty and economic viability of the village. Your help is required to save the center of Broad Brook.

You can learn more about the current plan and have your voice heard by attending the Broad Brook Mill Site Remediation Committee meetings which are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7 pm at the East Windsor Historical Society’s Osborn House, located on Scantic Road.