

Waldorf School site plan application (PB-66-19)

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On Sep 19, 2019, at 7:57 AM, Cora MacLeod > wrote:

To Councillor Paul Sharman,

Thank you for forwarding this email to all council members this week so it can be read before next weeks meeting.

I feel strongly that the town staff and elected representatives should not take any actions that promote the use of the parking lay by on Dryden as a school drop off zone.

A bicycle path should not be between a school drop off zone and a road. The town promotes riding your bike to school. They even have a day for this. Dryden Ave has designated bike lanes. I feel the town should be taking actions to make riding in these lanes safe. Cars moving in and out and dropping off students will create predictable increased possibility for dooring or cyclists being hit by a car. Cars moving in and out will increase traffic and confusion on an already busy street and intersection. Crashes can result.

If the Waldorf high school parking lot and drop off zone at the elementary school does not meet drop off needs Waldorf school can help address this issue by encouraging school staff to park off site and free up more space in the high school parking lot. The staff can also continue monitoring drop off in the high school parking lot. Staff parking offsite is being done by a private school in Oakville. There may not be enough land to build a high school on the Waldorf elementary school site but there is room that the present drop off zone at the Waldorf elementary school can be enlarged. These actions by the school can prevent future predictable overflow problems.

I feel strongly that observing and monitoring is reactive and wrong. It is irresponsible to waiting for predictable future traffic problems which puts everyone at risk. The town staff and elected representatives still have the ability to responsibly make preventable recommendations and demand the school take the preventable actions talked of above which will prevent overflow problems. Council be proactive.

The pathway also encourages the use of the lay by as a drop off zone. The council can still recommend that the pathway be removed. Be proactive.

Sincerely yours,

Cora Macleod

These actions will decrease congestion and traffic

The future Waldorf high school parking lot, and the current drop off zone at the Waldorf elementary school should be used as the school drop off zone. If this is enough to accommodate the high school needs then should it not be expected that the school increase the size of the drop off zone at the elementary site. The school may not have land to build a high school on the elementary site but they do have land where they could increase the size of their drop off zone.

This was not the original use of the parking lay by.