

Attachment 2

McKenzie-Smith Bennett School Neighbourhood Traffic Calming Comments and Questions Summary

- All-way stop requests to deal with speeding vehicles at the following locations:
 - Arthur Street at Wellington Street
 - Mill Street E at Wellington Street
 - Peel Street at Wellington Street
 - Mill Street E and George Street
- **Staff comment:** The proposed all-way stop locations would not be warranted, due to low volumes on the minor road. Staff will continue to monitor. Unwarranted all-way stops are ineffective and can have negative consequences as motorists speed in areas away from the stop sign to make up for lost time and they also become conditioned to 'not stop' or 'roll through' the intersection since there is seldom any conflicting traffic on the minor volume street.
- Concerns with the speed hump height in front of #73 Churchill Road N
 - **Staff comment:** The speed hump located near #73 Churchill Road N was measured and meets the requirements. Also, post implementation speed data indicated its effectiveness. These results were posted on the Churchill Road N Neighbourhood Traffic Calming Let's Talk Halton Hills project page.
- Request for traffic calming on Churchill Rd S between Orville Road and Queen Street/Highway 7.
 - **Staff comment:** Churchill Road S was previously reviewed, and the results indicated that traffic calming measures were not warranted. A follow up review is scheduled in 2025.
- Request for a crossing guard at Queen Street/Highway 7 and Churchill Road, and improved snow clearing on Churchill Road for students walking to school.
 - **Staff comment:** Staff have also reviewed the need for a crossing guard at Queen Street/Highway 7 and determined it was not warranted. Another review will be conducted in the Spring of 2025 to reassess conditions. Snow clearing comments have been forwarded to Public Works for their consideration.
- Request for a crosswalk at Young Street/Highway 7 and Peel Street to improve safety for students and commuters crossing Young Street/Highway 7.
 - **Staff comment:** Staff cannot install a crosswalk as there are no pedestrian facilities on the west side of Young Street/Highway 7. Staff will

coordinate with schools to advise parents and children to use designated crosswalks.

- Concerns about vehicles parking too close to the crosswalk at Mill Street E and Acton Boulevard, blocking visibility and creating safety risks for pedestrians.
 - **Staff comment:** Staff will review the parking near the crosswalk and address visibility concerns to improve safety.
- Concerns about vehicles parking on George Street too close to Mill Street E, reducing it to a single lane and causing safety concerns for turning vehicles. Suggest adding “No Parking” signs to improve safety on George Street.
 - **Staff comment:** As part of a separate project staff will review the parking concern to assess if changes are warranted.
- Inquiries whether Acton Boulevard (north of Norman Street) and McDonald Boulevard (between Churchill Road N and Acton Boulevard) were considered in the project due to speeding concerns near McKenzie-Smith Bennett and Acton High District students.
 - **Staff comment:** Acton Boulevard, between McDonald Boulevard and Norman Avenue, is outside the study area and unsuitable for traffic calming measures due to closely spaced intersections and a horizontal curve.
 - McDonald Boulevard, between Acton Boulevard and Churchill Road N, was previously reviewed, and traffic calming measures were not warranted.
- Request to review and increase wrong-way signage on Arthur Street.
 - **Staff comment:** Staff will review the one-way signage on Arthur Street in the spring.
- Inquiry about implementing photo radar in the area as a deterrent to speeding.
 - **Staff comment:** Staff advised that Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) is separate from the traffic calming plan. ASE would only be considered in Community Safety Zones if future data analysis warrants it, after the traffic calming plan is implemented. The Town currently has one camera but aims to expand coverage for greater safety.
- Concern about lack of plans for Churchill Road N, noting significant pedestrian traffic north of the study area.
 - **Staff comment:** Staff advised the resident that a collector-type speed hump is planned for Churchill Road N, between Tanners Drive and Peel Street. North of Tanners Drive staff addressed aggressive driving and safety concerns through the implementation of the Churchill Road N Neighbourhood Traffic Calming.

- Concern about a 50km/h speed limit south of the school, suggesting all streets around the school should be 40km/h, designated as community zones with doubled fines, and have digital speed signs.
 - **Staff comment:** Staff advised that the speed limit in front of the school is already set at 40km/h and the area is designated as a community safety zone.
- Concern about excessive speeding on Norman Avenue and a request for at least one speed hump on the street to ensure safety for children walking to school.
 - **Staff comment:** Norman Avenue between Churchill Road N and Acton Boulevard was previously included as part of the Churchill Road N neighborhood traffic calming project. At the time, traffic calming measures were not warranted due to the short length of the street. However, staff will collect updated data to determine if conditions have changed and improvements are warranted. The data will be collected in the post implementation review.