

Glen Williams
Community Association
Our Village, Our Voice.

May 30, 2022

Dear Mr. Kotev,

We are writing on behalf of our association about the Town of Halton Hills plans for Traffic Calming in Glen Williams.

We understand that different residents will hold different opinions about what should be done or not done; we also appreciate that there are traffic control standards that must be adhered to. Where the GWCA can lend its voice is in supporting resident's individual concerns and pass on information to you that impacts the entirety of the Glen and its historic hamlet character.

We understand that the growth of the Glen, both in population and in business interests has resulted in increased traffic concerns. It is much more than speeding; it is illegal or dangerous parking, ill-used stop signs, lack of appropriate walkways, curves that fast drivers take as a challenge, and a traffic jam situation at the local school that results in a potentially dangerous situation no matter how slowly cars are travelling. As the Glen becomes more of a 'destination', sufficient parking spaces for old and new commercial ventures are crucial to ensure good visibility and safety for pedestrians. Long lines of cars parked on the shoulder are concerning to residents and pedestrians

And in the most historic parts of the hamlet – Prince Street and Main Street - many of the houses are very close to the road and incessant noise from vehicular traffic is very disturbing.

We know speeding is a huge concern for Glen Williams residents, particularly those who live on the main roads leading to and from the hamlet. We recognize that your plan attempts to address this particular issue.

What the Glen Williams Community Association would like to understand is your evidence and your data that points to the solutions you have proposed.

- How many studies have you done over the years of the main roads? What has been the results of those studies?
 - Benchmarks were established on what date? How have things changed since that time?
- What analysis has been done that demonstrates that your proposed solutions are the best ones?
- Why are some traffic calming features not recommended?
- How do the solutions you propose measure up to industry standards?
- Can other best practices, international and elsewhere, be considered?
- What evaluations will you be putting in place to determine if your solutions are of value?

This is the kind of information we believe would be helpful to residents and we would have expected to see on your Let's Talk site. And we submit that it is not too late to provide it, if not to the town's website, then to any interested party. We count ourselves among those interested parties. We will be pleased to share it with our members.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to meeting with you about this project as it progresses.

Sincerely,

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Treasurer

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President