



Minutes

Brampton School Traffic Safety Council The Corporation of the City of Brampton

Thursday, March 7, 2024

Members Present: Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon (Co-Chair)
Charles Gonsalves (Co-Chair)
Mohan Bala
Wendell Cole
Satvir Dhaliwal
Donald Haberer
Trustee Will Davies, PDSB
Regional Councillor Navjit Brar - Wards 2 & 6

Members Absent: Nayan Brahmbhatt
Janice Gordon-Daniels
Daljit Singh
Trustee Shawn Xaviour, DPCDSB

Staff and Agencies: Violet Skirten, Supervisor, Crossing Guard, Public Works and Engineering
Elsetia Rhudd, Coordinator, Crossing Guard
Shane Loftus, Manager, Public Works and Engineering
Nikolai Belyntsev, Enforcement Officer, Legislative Services
Dave Marcotte, Peel District School Board
Sonya Pacheco, Legislative Coordinator

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:41 a.m. and adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

SC016-2024

That the agenda for the Brampton School Traffic Safety Council meeting of March 7, 2024, be approved as published and circulated.

Carried

3. Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

Nil

4. Previous Minutes

4.1 Minutes - Brampton School Traffic Safety Council - February 8, 2024

The minutes were considered by Committee of Council on February 21, 2024 and approved by Council on February 28, 2024. The minutes were provided for information.

5. Presentations\Delegations

Nil

6. Committees, Education and Promotions

Nil

7. Correspondence

7.1 Correspondence from Tara Benson, Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR), re: Request to Review Student Safety Crossing at Wanless Drive/Edenbrook Hill/Queen Mary Drive to attend Rowntree Public School, 254 Queen Mary Drive - Ward 6

Violet Skirten, Crossing Guard Supervisor, provided an overview of the site inspection request, and advised that an inspection is required to ensure that pedestrian infrastructure is in place prior to school opening in September, 2024.

The following motion was considered:

SC017-2024

1. That the correspondence from Tara Benson, Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR), to the Brampton School Traffic Safety Council meeting, re: **Request to Review Student Safety Crossing at Wanless Drive/Edenbrook Hill/Queen Mary Drive to attend Rowntree Public School, 254 Queen Mary Drive - Ward 6** be received; and,

2. That a site inspection be undertaken.

Carried

- 7.2 Correspondence from Tara Benson, Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR), re: Request to Review Safety of Pedestrian Bridge at Brenscombe Road and Cyclone Trail, Malala Yousafzai Public School, 1248 Mayfield Road, Caledon

Violet Skirten, Crossing Guard Supervisor, provided an overview of the site inspection request to review the safety of the pedestrian bridge that was intended for students who will be attending the new school.

In response to a question, Ms. Skirten advised that the bridge was located at Brenscombe Road and Cyclone Trail and that members will meet at the intersection for the inspection.

The following motion was considered:

SC018-2024

1. That the correspondence from Tara Benson, Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR), to the Brampton School Traffic Safety Council meeting of March 7, 2024, re: **Request to Review Safety of Pedestrian Bridge at Brenscombe Road and Cyclone Trail, Malala Yousafzai Public School, 1248 Mayfield Road, Caledon**, be received; and,
2. That a site inspection be undertaken.

Carried

- 7.3 Correspondence from Jenn Schnier, Brampton resident, re: Request for a Crossing Guard at intersection of Commuter Drive and Ganton Heights, Mount Pleasant Village Public School, 100 Commuter Drive - Ward 6

Violet Skirten, Crossing Guard Supervisor, provided an overview of the site inspection request noting that the school is considered a 'walking school' and a crossing guard was not warranted, however due to safety issues a request has been made for a guard.

The following motion was considered:

SC019-2024

1. That the correspondence from Jenn Schnier, Brampton resident, to the Brampton School Traffic Safety Council meeting of March 7, 2024, re: **Request for a Crossing Guard at intersection of Commuter Drive and Ganton**

Heights, Mount Pleasant Village Public School, 100 Commuter Drive - Ward 6, be received;

2. That a site inspection be undertaken.

Carried

8. New School Openings

Nil

9. Changes/Updates to School Boards/Student Population

Nil

10. Other/New Business

10.1 Update by Enforcement and By-law Services, re: School Patrol Statistics 2023 - February 2024

Committee acknowledged the information and considered the following motion:

SC020-2024

That the update by Enforcement and By-law Services to the Brampton School Traffic Safety Council meeting of March 7, 2024, re: **School Patrol Statistics 2023 - February 2024 be received.**

Carried

11. Site Inspection Report(s)

11.1 Hewson Public School, 235 Father Tobin Road - Ward 9

Committee reviewed the observations and recommendations in the site inspection report.

The following motion was considered:

SC021-2024

1. That the Site Inspection report for **Hewson Public School** be received;
2. That in an effort to encourage Active Transportation to and from school, the Principal contact their designated Peel Health Nurse to participate in the School Travel Plan Program in Peel;

3. That the Manager of Traffic Operations and Parking be requested to arrange for:

- a) A Stop Sign Compliance Study to be conducted at the intersection of Sugarcane Avenue and Vanderbrink Drive
- b) Enhanced Pavement Markings for the crosswalks at the intersection of Sugarcane Avenue and Vanderbrink Drive

4. That an adult crossing guard is not warranted at the intersection of Sugarcane Avenue and Vanderbrink Drive.

Carried

11.2 Tribune Drive Public School, 30 Tribune Drive - Ward 6

Committee reviewed the observations and recommendations in the site inspection report.

The following motion was considered:

SC022-2024

- 1. That the Site Inspection report for **Tribune Public School** be received;
- 2. That an adult Crossing Guard is warranted at the intersection of Tribune Drive and Creditview Road for the west leg of the intersection;
- 3. That the Manager of Traffic Operations arrange to have the Installation of a “No stopping” signage on Tribune Drive from Creditview Road to the school driveway entrance; and,
- 4. That the Manager of Parking Enforcement arrange for enforcement of Parking/Stopping infractions during arrival and dismissal times.

Carried

11.3 St. Rita Catholic School, 30 Summer Valley Drive - Ward 2

Committee reviewed the observations and recommendations in the site inspection report.

The following motion was considered:

SC023-2024

1. That the Site Inspection report for **St. Rita Catholic School** be received;
2. That in an effort to encourage Active Transportation to and from school, the Principal contact their designated Peel Health Nurse to participate in the School Travel Plan Program in Peel;
3. That Parking Enforcement be requested to observe the area during arrival and dismissal periods and take the appropriate action on drivers who disobey signage at the entrance and exit of school;
4. That School Administration consider closing the parking lot where cars doubled park, and use the Kiss and Ride lane only at arrival and dismissal times;
5. That the School Principal continue to reinforce traffic safety rules to students, especially around driver awareness and proper use of the Kiss and Ride area; and,
6. That the School Principal be requested to send information to parents regarding the safety of students in and around school property, emphasizing the requirement to cross safely at the signalized intersection rather than jaywalk into live traffic.

Carried

11.4 Earnscliffe Public School, 50 Earnscliffe Circle - Ward 7

Committee reviewed the observations and recommendations in the site inspection report.

The following motion was considered:

SC024-2024

1. That the Site Inspection report for **Earnscliffe Public School** be received; and,
2. That the Manager of Traffic Operations be requested to review the proposal on Earnscliffe Circle to operate as one way street.

Carried

11.5 St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary School, 25 Corporation Drive

Committee reviewed the observations and recommendations in the site inspection report.

The following motion was considered:

SC025-2024

1. That the site inspection report for St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary School be received;
2. That the Manager of Traffic Engineering Services, Works and Transportation, be requested:
 - to review the timing of the traffic signal at the intersection of Torbram Road and Corporation Drive
 - to determine if a southbound advance green is warranted, if pedestrian timing is sufficient, and if right turns should be restricted on a red light
3. That the Principal be requested to contact the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board and suggest that the following actions be undertaken:
 - that the school board consider moving the entrance to the school further east to avoid congestion at the corner of Corporation Drive and Tobram Road; and,
4. That the Principal, through the school newsletter and school safety meetings, be requested to encourage the parents/guardians to move to the front of the Kiss and Ride and not block the school entrance.

Carried

12. Future/Follow-up Site Inspection(s)

Nil

13. Site Inspection Schedule

Site Inspections were scheduled as follows:

Monday, March 18, 2024

Mount Pleasant Village Public School, 100 Commuter Drive

- Request for a Crossing Guard at intersection of Commuter Drive and Ganton Heights
- 7:45 a.m. and 2:35 p.m.

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

Rowntree Public School, 254 Queen Mary Drive

- Request to Review Student Safety Crossing at Wanless Drive/Edenbrook Hill/Queen Mary Drive
7:45 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Monday, March 25, 2024

Malala Yousafzai Public School, 1248 Mayfield Road, Caledon

- Request to Review Safety of Pedestrian Bridge at Brenscombe Road and Cyclone Trail
8:00 a.m.

14. Information Items

Nil

15. Question Period

The Co-Chairs commented on the need for members to participate in site inspections and suggested that the Clerk's Office send communication to encourage participation and remind members of their commitment.

16. Public Question Period

Nil

17. Adjournment

The following motion was considered:

SC026-2024

That Brampton School Traffic Safety Council do now adjourn to meet again on April 4, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.

Carried

Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon, Co-Chair

Charles Gonsalves, Co-Chair