

## **Brampton Safety Council Site Inspection Report**

Date: June 22, 2023 - Ward: 9

School/Location: Lougheed Middle School, 475 Father Tobin Road

**Principal:** Donna Bhamra **Time(s):** 8:20 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Phone:** 905-789-8751 **Weather:** Dry and sunny morning and afternoon

Requested By: Bonnie Crocker, Brampton resident

Nature of Problem: Assess the Intersection of Fernforest Dr. and Sandalwood Pkwy. for

any safety upgrades

Observers Present: Don Haberer, Citizen Member A.M.; Kim Bernard, Team Lead, Crossing

Guard, A.M./P.M.;, Janice Gordon, Citizen Member P.M.

## **Observations:**

- 1. Lougheed Middle School is located 1.3 km northeast of the intersection of Father Tobin Road and Fernforest Drive. We not provide crossing guards for Middle School students.
- 2. All mandatory signage is in place on Fernforest Dr., north and south of the intersection including school area sign, crossing guard ahead notice and posted speed of 40 km/hr. in the school zone. Sandalwood Pkwy is signed at 60 km/hr. speed.
- 3. At the intersection of Sandalwood Pkwy. and Fernforest Dr., pavement markings are faded on all legs of the intersection. The condition of the asphalt in the crosswalk is very poor with many trip hazards visible.
- 4. Push buttons are available on all signal posts, with current faceplate instructions on how to cross at a signalized intersection. All push buttons worked.
- 5. Crossing guards are in place on Fernforest Dr. at the intersection of Fernforest Dr. and Octillo Blvd., and Fernforest Dr. and Father Tobin Rd. for elementary students that attend either Carberry P.S., Springdale P.S., and, Blessed Father McGivney Separate School. Any Lougheed Middle school students will get assistance from these guards while they are on duty.
- 6. During the morning and afternoon observations, five Lougheed Middle School students used the intersection in the morning and eight students crossed after school, and all crossed without any issues.

## Recommendations:

- 1. That the Site Inspection report for Lougheed Middle School be received; and
- 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 Transportation Right of Way and Safety be requested to arrange for a pedestrian signal timing review at the intersection of Fernforest Dr., and Sandalwood Pkwy;
- 4. That the Manager of Road Operations be requested to arrange for repairs to the asphalt and tripping hazards on all 4 legs of the intersection of Fernforest Dr. and Sandalwood Pkwy;
- 5. That the Manager of Traffic Operations and Parking be requested to arrange for the refreshing of the enhanced pavement markings on all legs of the intersection of Sandalwood Pkwy. and Fernforest Dr.;
- 6. That the Principal be requested to educate and encourage all students using major intersections to get to and from school, to exercise caution and pay attention while crossing by making eye contact with drivers, follow the steps indicated on the face plates on how to cross and not be on a cell phone while crossing the road.