

Drumlin Heights Consolidated School School Advisory Council

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Transportation Infrastructure Renewal (TIR)
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Area Supervisor
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Re: Narrow Shoulder Highway 3

I am writing you on behalf of the Drumlin School Advisory Council.

At our recent School Advisory Council (SAC) meeting, the membership discussed the ongoing issue of the narrow shoulder along Highway 3 from the school driveway to Argyle Head Road. This is a short distance however an important section of road for the school. That stretch is involved with our emergency planning exercises as well as the students who walk along the stretch to get to school each day.

During our October Relocation Drill, staff members and administration noted that as students arrived at the bottom of the Drumlin Heights driveway and made their way towards our relocation point (the Historic Argyle Head Church), many students were forced to walk on the roadway. The reason for this is that there are no sidewalks from our driveway to the corner of the Argyle Head Road.

Given that this section of roadway is located on a sharp turn, the sight lines for on-coming motorists are minimal at best. After discussion, the members felt that installing a gravel sidewalk on a widened shoulder, would certainly minimize the risk of students being struck by on-coming traffic.

For the safety of our students each day and in times of an emergency, and relocation drills, Drumlin Heights SAC is requesting that TIR consider widening this shoulder of the road as soon as possible and in addition keep it in mind when work takes place at Exit 32A on Highway 103.

Should you require any further information please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

Amy Hillyard SAC Chairperson

Drumlin Heights Consolidated School

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c. Honourable Zach Churchill, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development

c. Warden Richard Donaldson, Municipality of the District of Argyle