



Council Memorandum

Date: January 15, 2019

To: City of Kawartha Lakes Council

From: Pat Dunn, Councillor Ward 5

Re: Speeding in school pick-up and drop-off zones

Recommendation

That the memo from Councillor Pat Dunn dated January 15, 2019 and entitled "Speeding in school pick-up and drop-off zones" be received;

That staff be directed to review the feasibility of reducing the speed limit from 80km/hr to 60km/hr between Snug Harbour Road and the Central East Correctional Facility on City Road 36 during school bus pick-up and drop-off times; and

That staff report back to Council no later than the end of the first quarter of 2019.

Rationale

Recently residents have raised numerous safety concerns regarding the speed of traffic during pick-up and drop-off periods at school bus stops located along highways throughout the City of Kawartha Lakes.

One of the many areas where this is an issue is the stretch of road between Snug Harbour and the Central East Correctional Facility along City Road 36. On this stretch of road there are 16 public school bus stops where children are picked up and dropped off on the side of the road.

With safety top of mind, I would like staff to investigate the feasibility of reducing the speed limit along this stretch of road during pick-up and drop-off times. Pending the results of their study prepare the necessary by-law to implement the speed reduction to be reviewed by Council. To ensure we have the necessary signage to communicate the reduction, staff should include the availability and cost of required signage as part of



their investigation and report back to Council. An example of signage used in other areas can be seen in Attachment 1.

If feasible and pursued by Council, the speed reduction between Snug Harbour and the Central East Correctional Facility could be used as part of a pilot project and serve as a model for future speed reductions along school bus routes in other areas of the municipality.

Attachment 1:



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