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Subject: "Engineering Study of ATV Traffic in Lindsay"

Dear 'Leaders',

As a retired professional engineer I have given a great deal of thought to the effects of adding ATV traffic to Lindsay streets. Bill Steffler who gave his deputation suggested that such a significant change to our town of Lindsay, needed to be properly studied. I have not been made aware of any in-depth engineering traffic study done by the CKL that could be reviewed by the citizens of the town. I believe that there is a majority of town residents that have very little if any idea of what is to befall them with the addition of ATVs to town traffic.

Lindsay is an intense traffic town at the present time and the two large subdivisions currently being built in the North Ward will only intensify traffic on town streets especially on the routes that you propose. Adding ATVs limited to 30 KPH to these busy streets will cause even more backups, delays, if not accidents. Cars rightly or wrongly will attempt to pass the ATVs in frustration. The current street widths, that include parallel parking, and multiple turning lane intersections do not permit any reasonable allowance for these machines. Instead of traffic calming our streets you will only be frustrating car/truck drivers. At least three of the busy intersections on your routes are already accident defying.

I do not see how any engineering traffic study could justify this change. As I have said before there is always an alternative, and that is no route through town. I do not believe that our police service has been given a proper opportunity to add their logical opinion. They have not been asked the right questions under the right circumstance.

Seven councillors are trying to 'railroad through' this change. Only two rational voices, the mayor and councillor O'Reilly are voicing reasonable objections. Again there is no reason to rush this change; proper review, study, and citizen presentations should all be carried out after the pandemic has been resolved.

You are currently engineering to fail, and that failure could lead to serious injuries and/or death. Do the responsible thing as our leaders.

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