

## Council Memorandum

<b>Date:</b>	June 6, 2023
<b>To:</b>	Committee of the Whole
<b>From:</b>	Deputy Mayor Richardson
<b>Re:</b>	Parking Requirement for the Orange Corners Trestle Bridge on Kawartha Trans Canada Trail

### Recommendation

**That** the Memorandum from Deputy Mayor Richardson, **regarding a parking requirement for the Orange Corners Trestle Bridge area**, be received;

**That** staff review the feasibility and costs of creating a parking lot proximate to the Orange Corner’s Trestle Bridge area; and

**That** staff review other on-street and off-street parking options for consideration

**That** staff reach out to the Federal Government for funding assistance in managing the increased use of this portion of trail which has resulted in a dramatic increase in parking concerns for local residents;

**That** staff report back to council by the end of Q4, 2023; and

**That** this recommendation be forwarded to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

### Rationale

The rail trail users continue to impose upon local property owners which has directed a memorandum to review and help find responsible solutions. This portion of trail around Orange Corners Trestle Bridge has seen a major increase in use since the Pandemic and through social media campaigns. Full size Coach Tours have now made it a regular



stop during the fall season due to the view and popularity of the fall colours. All days of the week with weekends being highlighted, have created daily parking issues. These parking issues have generated safety issues, an increase of littering and lack of respect to local home owners. Local agriculture farmers are now also seeing the negative ramifications when trying to access their fields as they have been blocked. By-law has been called on a continual basis to help manage the increase in traffic and parking infractions. No-parking signs have been posted but are often not followed. We need to build a relationship with the stewards of the Kawartha Trans Canada Trail and Trans Canada Trail to look for a solution in managing the concerns of local residents and enhance our visitors experience by providing a better parking solution.