

Hello Kawartha Lakes Clerk's Office and Council,

I am emailing you today to thank you for all your hard work that you do for Lindsay. As Lindsay continues to grow, I am sure the tasks at hand is also increasing for you all.

I would like to bring some concerns I have as a Resident living on Colborne St West, Lindsay, ON regarding the COLBORNE ST W CROSSWALK that is directly across from Alexandra Public School at Sussex St and Colborne St W

Over the past couple of years, there is a substantial increase of traffic on Colborne St West, due to increased "construction traffic" heading back and forth from the new subdivisions being built on the West side of Lindsay specifically the dump trucks taking full loads of earth AS WELL AS the numerous Emergency Response Vehicles that use Colborne St W as a main artery to respond to the growing number of emergencies in our town.

This year especially due to the implementation of the NEW School Boundaries**NEW School Boundaries** and the addition of grade 7's to the Alexandra Public School, the amount of traffic and confusion at morning drop offs and afternoon pick ups has increased dramatically as parents need to park along Colborne St W before and after the crosswalk in order to take their child safely to the school.

With this increased traffic and increased parked vehicles along Colborne ST W, we feel that **CROSSWALK LIGHTS would be extremely useful assisting the Crossing Guard with her task of safely STOPPING the traffic, which would light up RED when the crosswalk is in use. Similar to the CROSSWALK LIGHT SYSTEM on KENT ST W in front of the Friendly Dollar and Discount Store.**

Could there be, for the immediate interim, the installation of an Electronic Speed Sign showing the driver's their speed as they travel past this school and park district on Colborne St W that flashes "TOO FAST" if speeding. This would increase the awareness to drivers of their speed in a SCHOOL and PARK AREA. Also the implementation of Community Safety Zone signage with SPEED CAMERAS would be very effective and a very clear deterrent to the aggressive rush hour traffic which coincides with school drop off and pick up times. The Park is a popular park for many children who play there after school hours and throughout the summer months and could make use of the Crosswalk Light once it is installed.

I have seen in other towns such as Port Perry who have installed permanent white narrow pylons in the middle of the road on QUEEN ST in front of R H Cornish Public School, 494 Queen St, Port Perry, On which effectively slows traffic 24/7 in that zone.

I myself take and pick up my **3 year old grand daughter** to Junior Kindergarten at Alexandra Public School using this very crosswalk and have seen drivers still speeding along Colborne St W despite being in a SCHOOL ZONE. I have witnessed often times aggressive drivers upset because they must slow down, or honking horns at parents who have to exit their vehicles to

drop their child to school. I believe we need to be proactive in our efforts to ensure safe street crossing before something serious or tragic happens to a child who is crossing Colborne St W to and from the School and Park.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this matter at hand.

Karen Fretz
Resident of Colborne St W, Lindsay, On