



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

**Proposed Minor Street Stop Signs – Ranstone Gardens
and Kingsdown Drive Area**

Date:	October 20, 2008
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 37 – Scarborough Centre
Reference Number:	P:\2008\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc08087 D08-2843414 (D07-1768 & 1779) Ranstone stop signs

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

While reviewing area signage, as a result of vehicle speed and volume studies in the Ranstone Gardens area, Transportation Services staff identified 18 uncontrolled three-way intersections in the immediate area (Ashdean Drive at Flintridge Road, Axum Place at Flora Drive, Balaclava Drive at Flora Drive, Bauty Place at Flora Drive, Chopin Avenue at Mozart Avenue, Chopin Avenue at Ranstone Gardens, Hardcastle Street at Rosemount Drive, Leahann Drive at Flora Drive, Lozoway Drive at Ranstone Gardens, Mozart Avenue at Ranstone Gardens, Porter Crescent at Flora Drive, Tripp Crescent at Flora Drive, Tripp Crescent at Flintridge Road, Tripp Crescent at Leahann Drive (north intersection), Tripp Crescent at Leahann Drive (south intersection), Valerie Road at Flora Drive, Valerie Road at Porter Crescent and Yorkshire Road at Kingsdown Drive).

It is recommended that minor street stop signs be installed at the subject 18 uncontrolled three-way intersections to clearly define the right-of-way and to regulate traffic flow.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, Scarborough District, recommends that Scarborough Community Council:

1. Adopt the “Compulsory Stops” regulations for the subject 18-uncontrolled three way intersections, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report.
2. Amend the appropriate by-law accordingly.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing the subject recommended stop controls is approximately \$4,500.00. The funding for these stop controls is available in the Transportation Services 2008 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Further to a request from Councillor Thompson, Transportation Services staff reviewed parking, traffic volumes and speeds along Ranstone Gardens. No changes to the operation of Ranstone Gardens are recommended at this time; however, a review of area signage identified 18 uncontrolled three-way intersections in the immediate area.

COMMENTS

The following characteristics describe the subject 18 uncontrolled three-way intersections:

- The subject uncontrolled three-way intersections are all located in the community east of Birchmount Road, west of Kennedy Road, north of Eglinton Avenue East and south of Lawrence Avenue East, within both the Ionview and Dorset Park neighbourhoods.
- Approximately half of these intersections have sidewalks.
- The land use of both neighbourhoods is primarily single family residential.

Minor street stop signs are recommended at the subject 18 uncontrolled three-way intersection locations, to provide stop sign uniformity, clearly define the right-of way and to enhance driver and pedestrian safety.

When installed, the subject stop signs will help to clarify road right-of-way, regulate traffic flow and enhance public safety.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendment (enact)
2. Location Plan (Proposed Stop Signs – Ranstone Gardens Area)

Appendix 1

“Compulsory Stops” Regulation to be Enacted

<u>Column 1</u> <u>Intersection</u>	<u>Column 2</u> <u>Stop Street</u>
Ashdean Drive and Flintridge Road	Ashdean Drive
Axum Place and Flora Drive	Axum Place
Balaclava Drive and Flora Drive	Balaclava Drive
Bauty Place and Flora Drive	Bauty Place
Chopin Avenue and Mozart Avenue	Chopin Avenue
Chopin Avenue and Ranstone Gardens	Chopin Avenue
Hardcastle Street and Rosemount Drive	Hardcastle Street
Leahann Drive and Flora Drive (East Intersection)	Leahann Drive
Lozoway Drive and Ranstone Gardens	Lozoway Drive
Mozart Avenue and Ranstone Gardens	Mozart Avenue
Porter Crescent and Flora Drive	Porter Crescent
Tripp Crescent and Flora Drive	Tripp Crescent
Tripp Crescent and Flintridge Road	Tripp Crescent
Tripp Crescent and Leahann Drive (North Intersection)	Tripp Crescent
Tripp Crescent and Leahann Drive (South Intersection)	Tripp Crescent
Valerie Road and Flora Drive	Valerie Road
Valerie Road and Porter Crescent	Valerie Road
Yorkshire Road and Kingsdown Drive	Yorkshire Road