

**Left-Turn Prohibition – Woodland Park Road at
Briar Dale Boulevard**

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To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 36 – Scarborough Southwest
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SUMMARY

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

The report recommends the adoption of a by-law to enable an exception for buses from the current northbound left turn prohibition on Woodland Park Road at its intersection with Briar Dale Boulevard, in order to accommodate legal access for school buses serving children in the area.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Scarborough Community Council:

1. Exempt buses from the existing northbound left-turn prohibition in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, at Woodland Park Road and Briar Dale Boulevard.

Financial Impact

The cost of installing the subject bus exception signs is approximately \$500.00. Funds for these signs are available in the Transportation Services 2015 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services staff has reviewed the feasibility of applying an exception for buses to the existing northbound left turn prohibition regulation on Woodland Park Road at Briar Dale Boulevard. This by-law change is required to allow school buses servicing

children in the area to legally make left turns at the subject intersection. It should be noted that there is no TTC revenue service along either of these streets.

COMMENTS

The following characteristics describe the intersection of Woodland Park Road and Briar Dale Boulevard:

- This intersection is located north of Kingston Road, east of Victoria Park Avenue and west of Warden Avenue.
- Woodland Park Road is designated as Local roadway with a posted speed limit of 40 km/hr.
- Briar Dale Boulevard is designated as Local roadway with an unposted speed limit of 50 km/hr.
- There are no sidewalks on Woodland Park Road and Briar Dale Boulevard.
- In the immediate vicinity of the subject intersection, the area is comprised of single family residential dwellings.
- The current prohibition was enacted to mitigate morning peak period general traffic infiltration from Kingston Road.

The adoption of these regulations is expected to improve school bus traffic flow through the neighbourhood and will also allow appropriate enforcement by Toronto Police Service under the Highway Traffic Act.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Location Map (Left Turn Prohibition – Woodland Park Road at Briar Dale Boulevard)