

# Councillor Sarah Doucette

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## To Chair and Members of Etobicoke York Community Council

Re: Reducing the speed limit on certain streets around schools zones in Ward 13 to 30km/hr

## **Summary:**

With the adoption of the Vision Zero Road Safety Plan, which aims to improve safety across our city using a data-driven and targeted approach, there has been an increase in requests to reduce the speed limit around school zones in Ward 13. Local residents, school administration, trustees and parent councils have all expressed support for the adoption of a 30km/hour speed limit in school zones in attempt to reduce traffic-related deaths and injuries to ZERO.

St Cecilia Catholic Elementary School, Annette Street Junior and Senior Public School, High Park Alternative Junior School

#### Clendenan Avenue

Clendenan Avenue, which runs from Bloor Street West to Dundas Street West, is a local road with two-way operation and sidewalks on both sides of the road. The legal speed limit on Clendenan Avenue between Bloor Street West and Dundas Street West is 40 km/hr. I am requesting that the speed limit on Clendenan Avenue from Annette Street to Glendowynne Road be reduced to 30 km/hr. This section of the street has three schools, Annette Street Junior and Senior Public School, High Park Alternative Junior School and Humberside C.I. with frontage on it, and St Cecilia Catholic Elementary School which is adjacent. There is also access to a sports field off of this portion of the street.

## Jennings Ave

Jennings Avenue, which is a no exit street that runs off of Clendenan Avenue, south of Annette Street, is a local road with two-way operation and sidewalks on both sides of the road. The legal speed limit on Jennings Avenue is 40 km/hr. I am requesting that the speed limit on the full length of Jennings Avenue be reduced to 30 km/hr. This has two schools, Annette Street and High Park Alternative with frontage on it, pedestrian access to St Cecilia Catholic Elementary School, as well as the parking lots for Annette Recreation Centre and Ravina Sports Field, which all have heavy pedestrian use.

### Evelyn Avenue

Evelyn Avenue, which runs from St John's Road to Glenlake Avenue, is a local road with two-way operation and sidewalks on both sides of the road. The legal speed limit on Evelyn Avenue is 40 km/hr. I am requesting that the speed limit on Evelyn Avenue from Annette Street to Woodside Avenue be reduced to 30 km/hr. This section of Evelyn Avenue has St Cecilia Catholic Elementary School which fronts onto it.



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St Pius X Catholic School

## Weatherell Street

Weatherell Street, which runs from Rivercrest Road, west of Jane Street to Armadale Avenue, is a local road with two-way operation and sidewalks on both sides of the road. The legal speed limit on Weatherell Street is 40 km/hr. I am requesting that the speed limit on Weatherell Street, between Jane Street and Armadale Avenue be reduced to 30 km/hr. St Pius X Catholic School has direct frontage on Weatherell Street. The school bus loading zone is located on Weatherell Street, as well as the access to the school's parking lot.

Keele Street Junior Public School, Mountview Alternative Public School

### Glenlake Avenue

Glenlake Avenue, which runs from Dundas Street West to Glendownwynne Road, is a local road with two-way operation and sidewalks on both sides of the road. The legal speed limit on Glenlake Avenue is 40 km/hr. I am requesting that the speed limit on Glenlake Avenue from Oakmount Road to Keele Street be reduced to 30 km/hr. Two schools, Keele Street Junior Public School and Mountview Alternative School, have frontage on this portion of the street, as does Keele Community Centre. Lithuania Park which is heavily used by local school children, also has direct frontage on this portion of Glenlake Avenue.

Warren Park Junior Public School

#### Althea Road

Althea Road, which runs from Skylark Road to Varsity Road, is a local road with two-way operation and sidewalks on both sides of the road. Florence Gell Park also has direct frontage on this street. The legal speed limit on Althea Road is 40 km/hr. I am requesting that the speed limit on the full length of Althea Road from be reduced to 30 km/hr.

### Doran Avenue

Doran Avenue, which runs from Althea Road to Varsity Road, is a local road with two-way operation and sidewalks on both sides of the road. The legal speed limit on Doran Avenue is 40 km/hr. Doran Avenue forms part of a crescent with Althea Road. I am requesting that the speed limit on the full length of Doran Avenue be reduced to 30 km/hr. Warren Park Junior Public School has direct frontage on Doran Avenue. This street is used as a drop off by parents.



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#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That Etobicoke York Community Council:

- 1. Direct Transportation Services to reduce the speed limit on the following roads in Ward 13 to 30 km/hr:
  - Clendenan Avenue from Annette Street to Glendowynne Road
  - Jennings Avenue
  - Evelyn Avenue from Annette Street to Woodside Avenue
  - Weatherell Street, between Jane Street and Armadale Avenue
  - Glenlake Avenue from Oakmount Road to Keele Street
  - Althea Road
  - Doran Avenue

Sincerely,

Sarah Doucette Councillor, Ward 13