

**REPORT FOR ACTION****Standing Prohibitions – Thatcher Avenue, Larwood Boulevard, St. Quentin Avenue, Gradwell Drive, Redland Crescent East and West**

Date: May 3, 2019
To: Scarborough Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 20 – Scarborough Southwest

SUMMARY

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

This report recommends prohibiting standing from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, and public holidays from May 1 to September 30 of each year, on one side of residential streets in the Bluffers Park neighbourhood, namely: Thatcher Avenue, Larwood Boulevard, St. Quentin Avenue, Gradwell Drive, Barkdene Hills, Redland Crescent East and Redland Crescent West.

As a result of requests from Councillor Crawford's office, area residents and Parks, Forestry & Recreation Division, Transportation Services staff reviewed the traffic and parking operations in the Bluffers Park neighbourhood. In order to mitigate traffic and parking congestion during the Park's seasonal weekends and public holidays, staff recommends prohibiting standing on one side of the residential streets that are negatively impacted by the overwhelming number of people visiting Bluffers Park and parking on residential streets for extended periods.

Visitors to the park are continuously parking on both sides of neighbourhood streets blocking residential driveways and preventing safe and two-way traffic movements as well as access/egress maneuvers by local residents and Emergency Services.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services, recommends that:

1. Scarborough Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays, on the west side of Thatcher Avenue, from Barkdene Hills to Kingston Road.
2. Scarborough Community Council prohibit standing from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from May 1 to September 30 of each year, on the west side of Thatcher Avenue, from Barkdene Hills to Kingston Road.
3. Scarborough Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays on the west side of St. Quentin Avenue, from Barkdene Hills to Kingston Road.
4. Scarborough Community Council prohibit standing from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from May 1 to September 30 of each year, on the west side of St. Quentin Avenue, from Barkdene Hills to Kingston Road.
5. Scarborough Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays, on the east side of Larwood Boulevard, from Barkdene Hills to the south end of Larwood Boulevard.
6. Scarborough Community Council prohibit standing from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from May 1 to September 30 of each year, on the east side of Larwood Boulevard, from Barkdene Hills to the south end of Larwood Boulevard.
7. Scarborough Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays on the south side of Redland Crescent East, from Larwood Boulevard to the east end of Redland Crescent East.
8. Scarborough Community Council prohibit standing from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from May 1 to September 30 of each year, on the south side of Redland Crescent East, from Larwood Boulevard to the east limit of Redland Crescent East.
9. Scarborough Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays on the south side of Redland Crescent West, from the west end of Redland Crescent West to Larwood Boulevard.
10. Scarborough Community Council prohibit standing from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from May 1 to September 30 of each year, on the south side of Redland Crescent West, from Larwood Boulevard to the west limit of Redland Crescent West.
11. Scarborough Community Council prohibit standing from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from May 1 to September 30 of each year, on the west side of Gradwell Drive, from a point 50 metres south of Kingston Road to the south end of Gradwell Drive.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The cost of installing the related signage is approximately \$8,000.00. The funds for these signs are available in the Transportation Services Division's 2019 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

As a result of requests from Councillor Crawford's office, area residents and the Parks, Forestry & Recreation Division, Transportation Services staff reviewed traffic and parking operations in the Bluffers Park Neighbourhood. As part of the review, the Bluffers Park Traffic Management Plan was created to better manage and control the flow of traffic accessing Bluffers Park while sustaining normal traffic and parking operations for area residents in the Bluffers Park neighbourhood.

As part of the Bluffers Park Traffic Management Plan, staff recommends prohibiting standing from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from May 1 to September 30, along six local and two collector roads, namely: Thatcher Avenue, St. Quentin Avenue, Gradwell Drive, Larwood Boulevard, Redland Crescent East and Redland Crescent West.

Parking is currently prohibited from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays on the west side of both Thatcher Avenue and St. Quentin Avenue, from Barkdene Hills to Kingston Road.

Parking is currently prohibited from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays on the east side of Larwood Boulevard, from Barkdene Hills to the south end of Larwood Boulevard

Parking is prohibited from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays on the south side of Redland Crescent East, from the east end of Redland Crescent East to Larwood Boulevard. Parking is also prohibited from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays on the south side of Redland Crescent West, from the west end of Redland Crescent West to Larwood Boulevard.

Parking is permitted for a maximum period of three hours on both sides of Gradwell Drive, from a point of 50 metres south of Kingston Road to the south end of Gradwell Drive.

The following characteristics describe this area of Bluffers Park:

- Thatcher Avenue, Larwood Boulevard, St. Quentin Avenue, Gradwell Drive and Redland Crescent East and West are classified as local roads with a pavement width of approximately 8.5 metres and with no sidewalks, except Thatcher Avenue, which has sidewalks.
- The land use in the surrounding area consists mainly of single family residential homes.

The proposed standing prohibitions will allow for limited parking on one side of the streets, provide unrestricted access/egress to driveways, enhance sight lines, and maintain safe two-way traffic flow on the local roads to assist local traffic and Emergency Services and will assist Parks, Forestry & Recreation Division staff in maintaining control of traffic accessing Bluffers Park during weekends and public holidays, when Bluffers Park season is at its peak.

CONTACT

Shawn Dillon
Manager, Traffic Operations Area 1
Traffic Management
Tel: 416-397-5021
Fax: 416-396-5641
E-Mail: shawn.dillon@toronto.ca

SIGNATURE

Roger Browne, M.A.Sc., P.Eng.
Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

PW:cr

scXXXX
D19-9527822, 19-9527975, D19-9527994, D19-9528007

ATTACHMENTS

1. Location Plan (Standing Prohibition - Thatcher Avenue, Larwood Boulevard, St. Quentin Avenue, Gradwell Drive and Redland Crescent East & West)

Attachment 1 - Location Plan (Standing Prohibition - Thatcher Avenue, Larwood Boulevard, St. Quentin Avenue, Gradwell Drive and Redland Crescent east & West)

