

**26 February 2025**

Toronto City Hall  
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**RE: 2025.IE19.1 Cycling Network Plan - 2025 Cycling Infrastructure Installation - First Quarter Update**

**To: Infrastructure and Environment Committee**

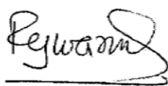
I am writing in full support of 2025.IE19.1 Cycling Network Plan - 2025 Cycling Infrastructure Installation - First Quarter Update.

Access Alliance is a community health centre and our focus is to provide services to improve the health of newcomers, and this means we work in the communities most affected by systemic barriers. Specifically we support the safety improvements planned for Ellesmere Rd. because our Scarborough Cycles program is situated in this community. This program has been building bike culture and incubating cycling in Scarborough for the past 10 years, and has helped thousands of residents explore and access the city by bike.

We believe that this project will be transformational for this area of Scarborough as it will make it much safer for all road users, including those walking, cycling, and driving. This project will also help encourage individuals to be more active in their daily lives in their community.

We applaud the Ellesmere Complete Street for its potential to connect important destinations like Centenary Hospital, Seven Oaks Long-Term Care Home, the University of Toronto Scarborough, Centennial College, Woburn Collegiate, and the Meadoway. Furthermore, this project will address a major gap in the existing cycling network and thus help connect Scarborough residents to the rest of the city. For the reasons outlined above we look forward to the implementation of the projects in 2025.IE.19.1.

Sincerely,



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