



City Councillor
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Barton Avenue traffic calming

Dear Toronto and East York Community Council members:

SUMMARY:

Barton Avenue is a narrow east-west residential street in Seaton Village which used to carry primarily local traffic between Bathurst Street and Christie Street. A previous Councillor created a maze on other east-west streets in Seaton Village. This, together with navigation apps such as Waze, has funnelled cut-through traffic onto Barton Avenue.

Since 2018, Barton Avenue residents and the Seaton Village Residents Association have debated options for discouraging cut through traffic. The time for action has now come, due to population and traffic increases, and the forthcoming RapidTO Bathurst streetcar lane.

Extensive local consultation by the SVRA, and by the local councillor, has revealed a local preference for discouraging eastbound cut through traffic by making Barton Avenue one way westbound between Clinton Street and Christie Street.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services, to make Barton Avenue one way westbound between Clinton Street and Christie Street.

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