

Managing Neighbourhood Traffic Issues: Eglinton / Allen Intersection and Neighbourhood Streets

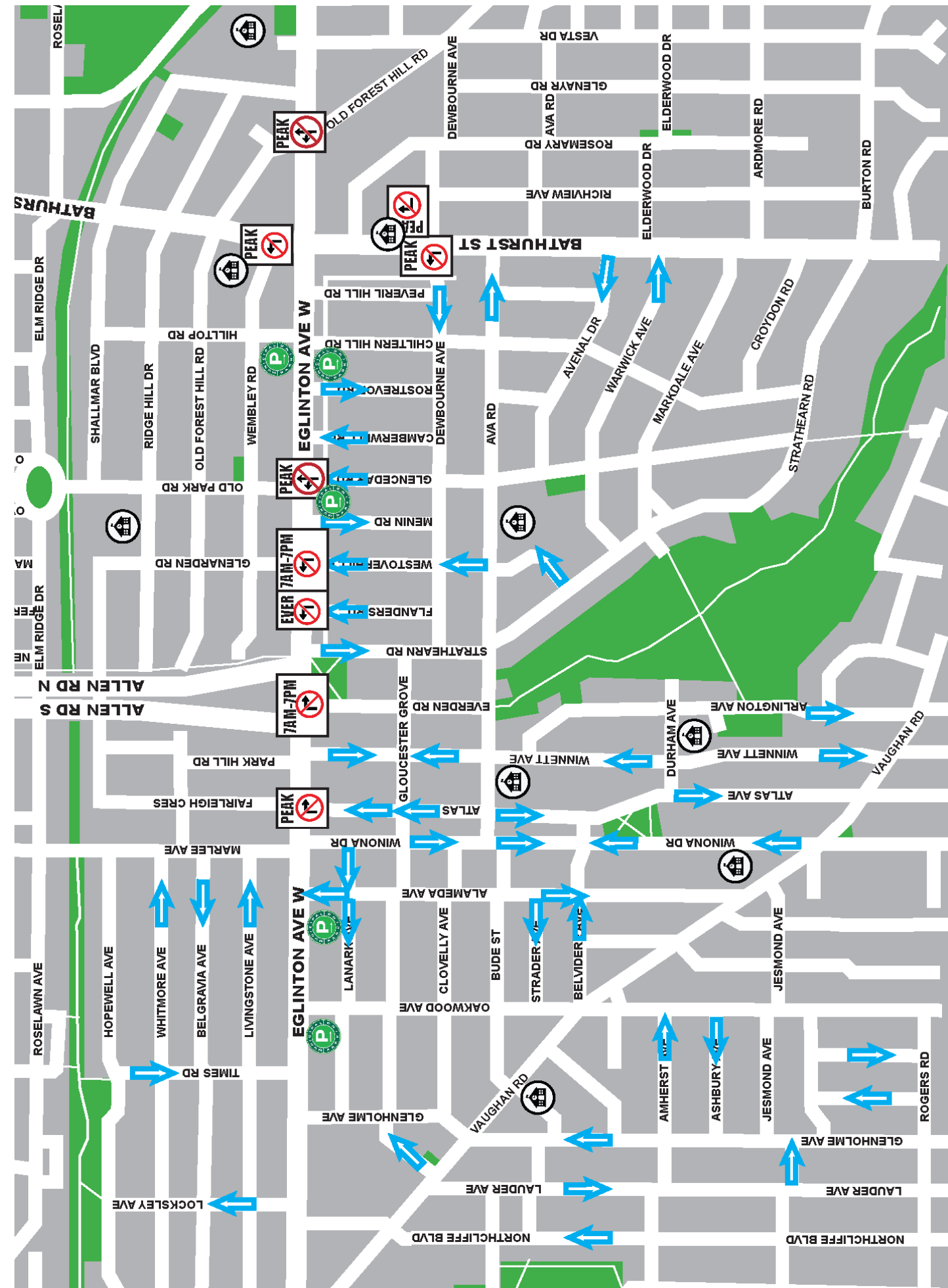
SOLUTIONS-FOCUSED WORKSHOP

Discuss neighbour to neighbour and with traffic experts to support development of a traffic plan that will help reduce cut-through traffic on neighbourhood streets while maintaining access for residents.

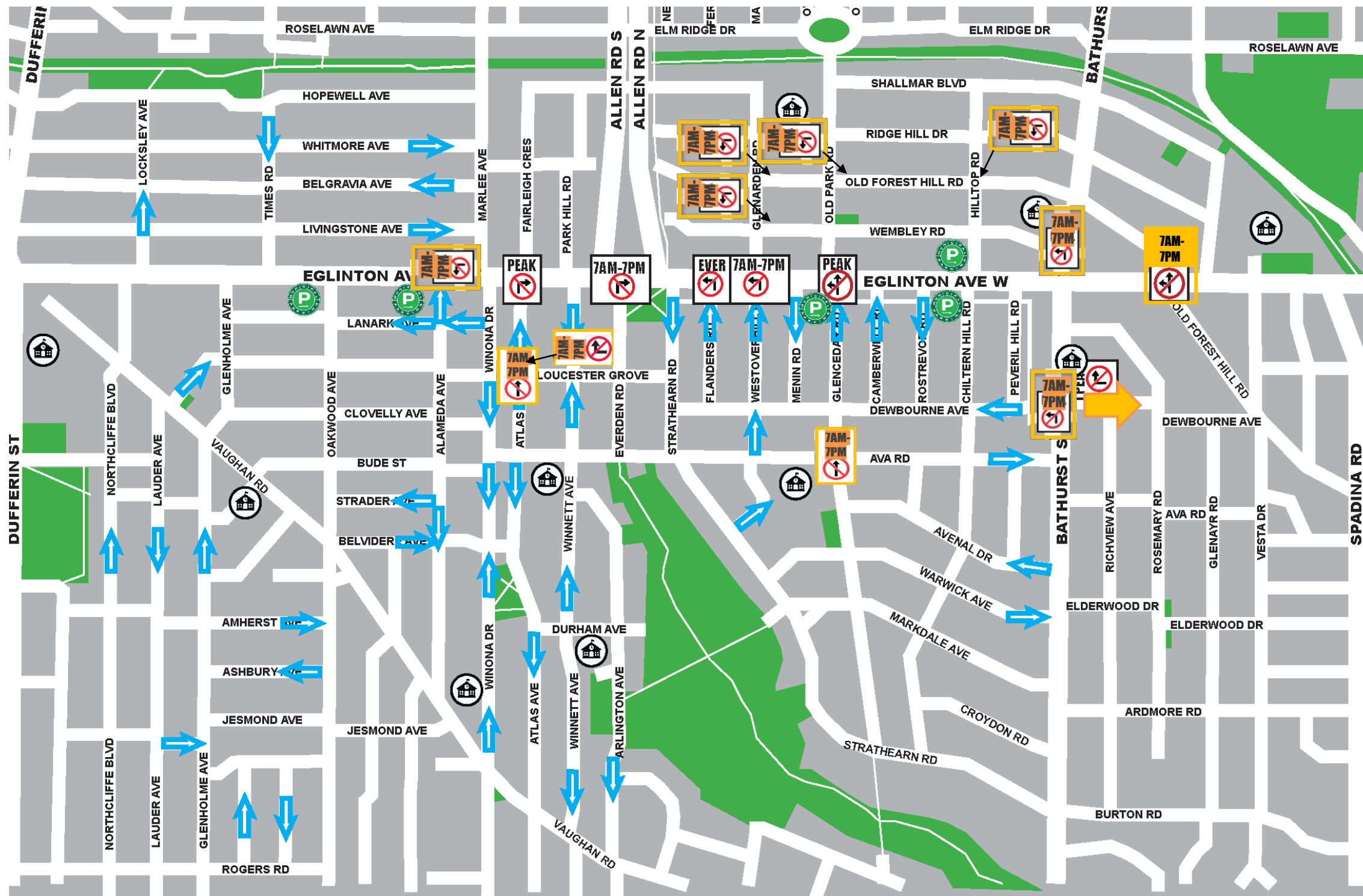
How to Participate:

1. **SIGN IN:** Registration staff will help you find your neighbourhood station.
2. **GET CAUGHT UP:** If you did not attend the May 13 virtual public meeting, please visit our "getting caught up" table.
3. **CHECK IN WITH THE STATION CAPTAIN** (wearing a ball cap) to hear about the conversations already taking place in your area.
4. **ADD YOUR IDEAS AND CONCERNS** and speak with staff about what is being proposed in your area. **Side tables** with maps and tracing paper are available to work out routes associated with traffic pattern changes.
5. **BRING DEVELOPED PROPOSALS BACK TO THE MAIN TABLE.** These should be ideas that don't just move the traffic to another residential street.
6. **USE THE WALL CHARTS FOR OTHER IDEAS** (short, medium and long-term outside of traffic pattern changes *e.g., parking restrictions)
7. **Proposals will be presented back to the larger community via online survey.**

EXISTING ONE-WAY STREETS AND TURN RESTRICTIONS



POTENTIAL SERIES OF ENHANCED TURN RESTRICTIONS FOR COMMUNITY INPUT



REMEMBER - NOT EVERYTHING HAS TO HAPPEN AT ONCE!

- Solutions can happen in stages with careful monitoring. Too much change at once can discourage community support.
- It is difficult to predict what balance of restrictions will be sufficient to satisfactorily deter commuters without unnecessarily inconveniencing residents. Options like turning single block segments of streets one way could be most effective as a second phase.

Considerations

- **GPS:** Rush hour only turn restrictions get ignored by drivers and GPS Apps alike. Once turn restrictions are made full day (7 a.m. - 7 p.m.), GPS apps do not send vehicles on routes with non-permitted turns.
- **ENFORCEMENT:** Enforcement will be helpful to re-enforce newly introduced turn restrictions for the first weeks, but is not a sustainable long-term solution.
- **"LOCAL TRAFFIC ONLY" SIGNAGE:** Although signs can be seen throughout the city, they are non-regulatory and difficult to enforce - imagine officers debating with each driver about whether or not they are "local"
- **COMMUNITY-WIDE APPROACH:** We are working towards a plan that will support all neighbourhood streets, not move the problem one street over.
- **EGLINTON/ALLEN AS THE ROOT CAUSE OF TRAFFIC CONGESTION:** The City is working on improvements to the Eglinton / Allen intersection, but impactful improvements take time. In the meantime, neighbourhood turn restrictions are a quick action to help improve current pressures on local streets.