

Fourth Line gravel truck concerns

A Limehouse resident's concerns that Acton Quarry gravel trucks are endangering the lives of motorists using the Fourth Line, will be investigated by Town staff—but staff's report may take a number of months because of a heavy workload.

Recently 22 Sideroad resident Rob Barlow warned that someone is going to be killed if the aggregate truck drivers don't start obeying a stop sign from the quarry onto the Fourth Line.

Barlow backed up his contention with a log he made

last month, which showed that in one 13-minute period only two of 10 trucks leaving the quarry stopped at the stop sign. The balance—80 per cent—either ignored the stop sign or made a rolling stop before heading south on the Fourth Line.

Barlow said during that same period, eight trucks entered the quarry and only half used their turn signals and many of the vehicles also ignored the 60 km an hour speed limit.

"This is an issue that is not a UAL (United Aggregates Limited) problem. It's a problem on that road, which is a Town road, and I wrote this letter to see if it would spur on activity by the Town to remove this problem from that section of the road," Barlow said.

Noting that there was a joint committee established to deal with citizens' concerns about the quarry operation, Barlow asked the Town to come forward and work with UAL to find both short and long term solutions to the problem.

Barlow raised concerns about the need to restrict heavy trucks from using the Limehouse bridge and suggested there be a heavy truck ban on the 22 Sideroad.

Study touches nerve

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closing either the Glen or Limehouse would eliminate that surplus.

Lichty explained that the Board has asked for options at three levels of capacity—85, 90 and 95 per cent—and to meet the 95 per cent figure one of the schools would have to close.

While both Halton Hills Trustees Ethel Gardiner and Dick Howitt said the Glen's 92 per cent utilization would be good enough for them, they also admitted that they were only two votes at the Board table.

Limehouse Parent Council secretary Lezlie Pettitt said they were attempting to set aside their emotions.

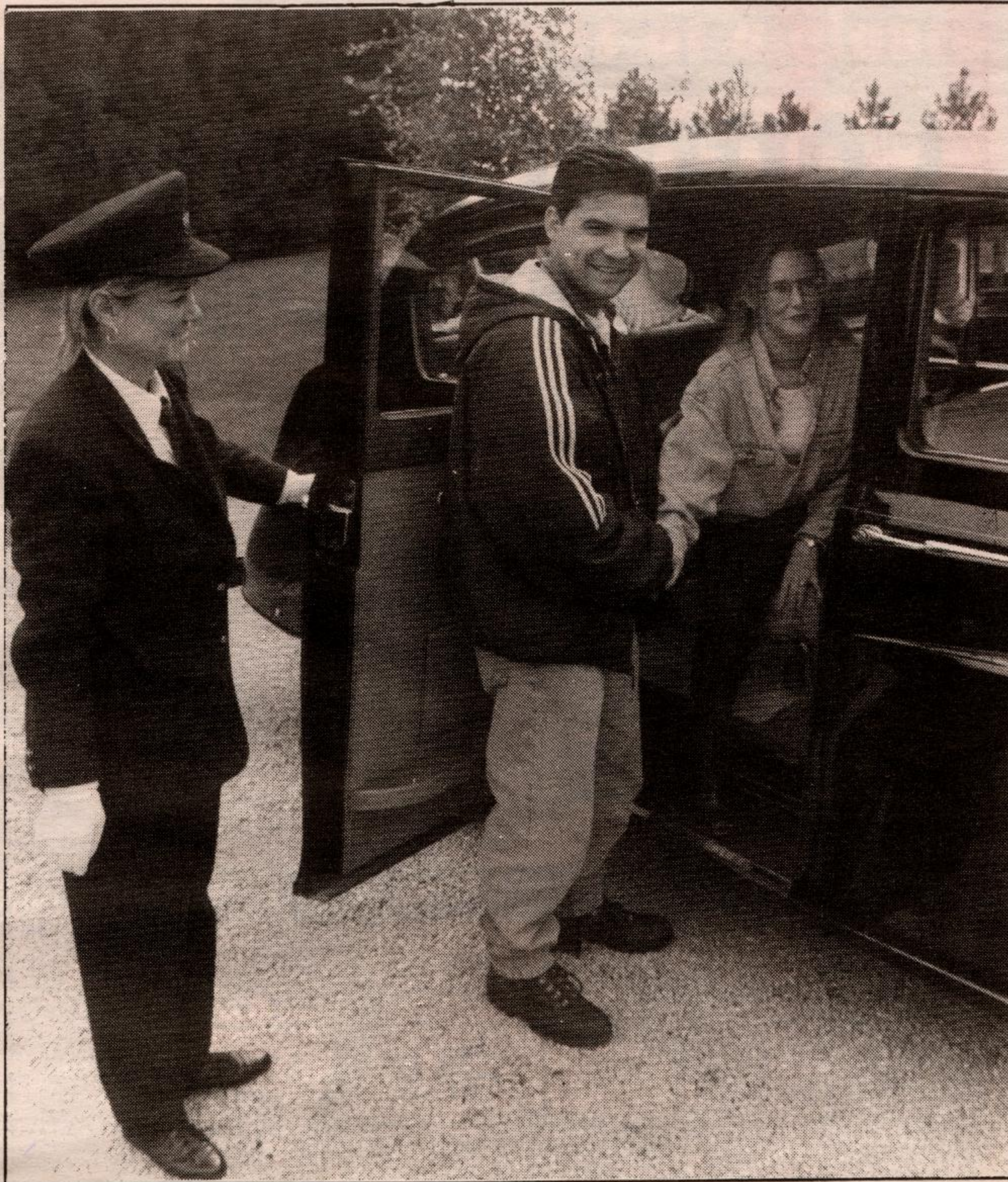
"We have to very practical and offer valid reasons why neither Limehouse nor the Glen need to be closed. We won't be pitted against one another and in fact will

fight the closure of either facility," Pettitt said, noting that both schools play large, important roles in the community.

The 200-plus crowd did clap and cheer Williams when he said that the option of changing the grade configurations in Halton Hills schools to Kindergarten to Gr. 6 and Gr. 7 to graduation, was not a viable option at this time.

Anyone wanting to comment on the accommodation options in writing has until October 16 to do so and after five more public input sessions throughout the Region this month, staff will present a final report naming the schools to be closed on October 24.

During the week of November 18 the Board will listen to public delegations and a final decision on school closing will be made before Christmas.



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