

Canada Post will recognize Glen Williams as a community

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Canada Post has recognized Glen Williams as a community, separate from Georgetown.

Canada Post has agreed to implement an addressing change— without changing postal codes— that would allow all Glen Williams residents' mailing addresses be listed as "Glen Williams". Their current addresses say "Georgetown".

"With the loss of the post office (in Glen Williams) in the 1970s, which used to be in the Wheeler's General Store, many of the folks felt disenfranchised...It seems we don't exist when you can't write a letter to someone that says Glen Williams on it," said Ward 2 Councillor Joan Robson, a longtime Glen resident.

"We don't want to be just a neighbourhood of Georgetown, as much as we love Georgetown," said Robson. "We just like to be recognized."

Mayor Rick Bonnette added, "I've always said Halton Hills is a community of communities, and this is one way to help the Glen keep their identity. ... I look forward to sending Councillor Robson

a Christmas card and writing Glen Williams on it."

The changeover won't cost the residents anything and there's no need for residents to change any of their official identification. "Georgetown" will be retained as an alternative address.

Canada Post says residents won't see any delay to their mail no matter which community name is used.

In an update to council Monday (Oct. 24), Town Clerk Suzanne Jones said all residents living on Glen streets have been notified: Alexander, Beaver, Bennett Place, Bishop Court, Charlton, Confederation, Credit, Erin, Glen Crescent, Joseph, Karen, Main, McMaster, Meagan, Mountain, Mullen

Place, Oak Ridge, Park, Prince, Thomas, Tweedle, Wildwood, Barraclough, Ainley and Holdroyd.

According to John Wellsbury, Canada Post manager of delivery planning, said once the notification is complete, Canada Post will set a timetable for the change within the Canada Post system, which involves a number of steps.

Town staff will also begin updating its property systems to change Glen Williams as the principal mailing address.



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