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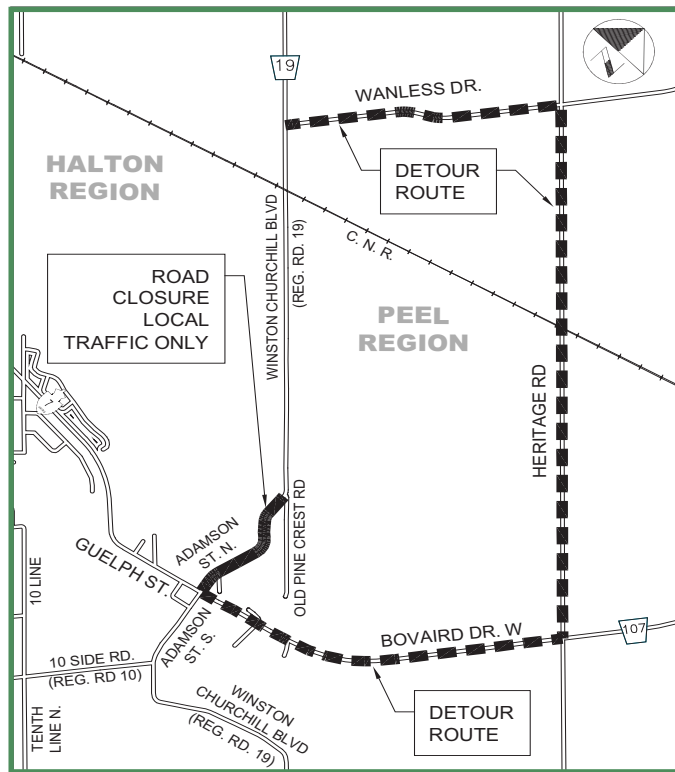


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**NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSURE**

**Winston Churchill Boulevard (Regional Road 19) improvements through Norval 10 Side Rd. to north of Noble Street, Town of Halton Hills**



Due to road and water infrastructure works to be completed, Winston Churchill Boulevard will be closed from Guelph Street/Bovaird Drive West to Old Pine Crest Road with access to local traffic only starting Tuesday, July 3, 2018 to Friday, August 17, 2018.

Access for local residents will be maintained at all times.

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Gary Carr  
Regional Chair

Meetings at Halton Region, 1151 Bronte Rd., Oakville, L6M 3L1  
 Visit [halton.ca/meetings](http://halton.ca/meetings) for full schedule.

No Regional Council or Standing Committee meetings for the rest of the month.

**COMMUNITY**

**Twenty milestones in honour of Willow Park's 20th anniversary**

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Twenty years ago, decommissioned trailers adorned the edge of the Credit River in the area where the Willow Park Ecology Centre now sits.

It took a local group with a vision to jump-start the plan that made Willow Park the place it has come to be: a nature park and a place for science-based learning, teamwork and environmental stewardship.

On July 14, Willow Park will be celebrating its 20th anniversary with residents of Norval and the surrounding communities. Park director Tunde Otto sat down with the Independent to look back on 20 milestones achieved throughout Willow Park's two-decade journey.

**1998**

The Town of Halton Hills' environmental advisory committee first proposed the idea for the Willow Park Ecology Centre in 1998.

The committee soon grew to include 10 members joining forces with the town's parks and recreation department and Credit Valley Conservation.

The following year, a master plan was prepared to guide the planning and implementation of the centre. A grant was secured to build the park features over a three-year period.

**2002**

Willow Park Ecology Centre received its first Award of Merit from Credit Valley Conservation.

**2002**

Willow Park held its first themed event, Riverfest, with a large group of partners led by the former Canoe Country of Norval.

The centre has since offered an array of events for each season, which can be found through Willow

Park's event calendar.  
**2003**

In 2003, Willow Park created a five-year strategic plan, with input from the community, to define how the restored park should be used and maintained.

Then Willow Park sought and received a second grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, which gave them the opportunity to develop and deliver educational programming for three years. In 2004, Willow Park first introduced its science-curriculum-linked school programs.

The programs continue to provide age-appropriate learning experiences in nature for students from kindergarten to Grade 8. The programs are currently available to Halton and Peel schools.

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