

RESIDENTS WANT SPEED LIMIT LOWERED

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council — you need to find a solution," said Krystin Micalizzi, a mother of three young children who lives in Glen Williams.

"I have called Halton Regional Police's non-emergency line many times and we get some enforcement, but it's a short-term solution. Something needs to be done to slow the cars down before someone gets hurt."

Mayor Rick Bonnette took to Twitter to respond to residents' concerns on the pilot project pause.

"Please know that the Town will continue to review traffic calming measures in the Glen," he said. "We are not giving up on this community and further information is to come."

Ward 2 Coun. Bryan Lewis said he thinks the intent of the bollard installa-

tion on Wildwood has been misunderstood.

"It was to be on a trial basis, not permanent," he said. "We identified at least one street in each ward to be part of the trial. Due to many concerns by residents, the Town selected Wildwood Road in Ward 2. Now there's a police investigation with possible charges pending. It's a cost to all of the town taxpayers to replace stolen or removed bollards."

A statement from the town to the Independent indicates that staff will be discussing next steps for Wildwood Road within the framework of the municipality's approved traffic calming protocol.

Lewis said he, Bonnette and Coun. Clark Somerville met with a group of Glen Williams residents last week to discuss a variety of issues, with speeding con-



Graham Paine/Metroland

Bollards like these were installed on Wildwood Road in an attempt to slow traffic down, but they were stolen twice.

cerns being one of them.

He said the residents would like to see a speed limit of 40 km/h set on all roads in the hamlet, noting that some side streets would warrant a limit even lower than that.

According to town staff, speed limit reductions in certain areas of the Glen have been implemented over the years, along with

other traffic calming measures like a speed bump on Prince Street, traffic bollards on Confederation Street, "SLOW" pavement markings on Wildwood Road and Prince Street and even the use of a police officer silhouette at various locations.

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Glen Williams," said commissioner of transportation and public works Bill Andrews. "Speeding is arguably the most common complaint received by the Town, and unfortunately is not confined to any specific neighbourhood or geographic area."

Impending reconstruction projects on Prince, Confederation and Main streets will incorporate measures to slow vehicles down, he noted, with Eighth Line north of Wildwood slated for future traffic calming evaluation.

For residents in the

Glen, any additional measures to curb speeding can't happen soon enough.

"I feel like we're getting nowhere and it's becoming a huge safety risk," said Micalizzi. "I don't want to see someone's loved one hurt or someone's pet hit."

STORY BEHIND THE STORY: With the traffic bollard issue on Wildwood Road shining a light on residents' ongoing concerns around speeding in Glen Williams, we wanted to take a closer look at how the Town of Halton Hills plans to address the matter.

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