

# Acton roads are in pretty good shape'

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The New Tanner

A quarter-kilometre stretch of Churchill Road between Orville and Angfield Roads has the dubious honour of being the town road most in need of immediate repair.

The Town's latest roads study identifies 133 projects, just under 70-kilometres of roads that need to be reconstructed, repaired or replaced. The projects are prioritized according to their condition and level of traffic.

"There are certainly a number of streets in Acton that are in the 'now' definite category and obviously, the thing to do is to get at them," Ron Goddard, the town's supervisor of capital works explained in an interview on Monday, adding that overall, the roads are in good shape.

"We have a 21.4 per cent

drop in the total length of roads in the "now" category," Goddard said as he rattled off a list of a dozen Acton road projects that had been completed within the past five years.

"We've done really well in Acton. People think that Georgetown is getting all the money, but from an engineering point of view that's not the way it is, or has been," Goddard said.

The bridge at Church Street and Main Street South, a \$148,000 project, the reconstruction of a stretch of Fourth Line at 22 Side Road and projects on Dublin Line at 25 Side Road and 22 Side Roads are among the 25 top priorities on the list.

The bill for the entire list is just under \$33 million. The most expensive Acton project on the "now" priority list is the resurfacing of Commerce Crescent at \$612,000.

With a fairly steady

stream of residents asking council to put their road at the top of the list the updated roads needs study gives council and staff a working document that shows right where the problems are.

Ward 2 (including rural Acton) Councillor Kevin Kuiack said that the report would be valuable during upcoming budget talks and asked that councillors not deal with the roads issues until staff could make a presentation to let the public know how the choices on the list were made.

Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson supported the deferral, but also said she wants an explanation of how rural roads are reconstructed, changed or improved.

"We're always being questioned about how we spend our money," Serjeantson said.

Town councillors will deal with the roads needs report on March 23.



**COZY CAMPING:** More than a dozen members of Trinity United Church's Junior Youth Group spent Saturday at the church as part of their third annual 25-hour Fast for World Development and Relief. Participants like Rita Matton, left, Lisa Murphy, centre, and Mike Grierson, brought their sleeping bags to get them through part of the night in addition to enjoying games, crafts, and structured activities. Group leader Rev. Bob Matton showed videos on Guatemala to raise awareness of the needs and concerns of some of the world's less fortunate people. - Maggie Petrushevsky photo



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