

# Resident says many haven't heard of proposal

from COMMITTEE on page A1 development.  
 "A lot of people knew about this matter, and you know that as well," he said. "Do you really think nobody knew?"

Mr. Beyette said he believes no one on his road in rural Milton was aware of the proposal, and if the councillor spoke to his constituents, he thinks he'd find the same.

"But I'm not going to argue with you councillor," he added.

Mr. Challinor pointed out to Mr. Beyette that the Planning Act didn't require the Town to hold the number of public meetings it did on the issue, meaning it held two sessions for residents by choice.

Director of Planning and Development Mel Iovio also said a notice on the proposal was circulated by mail to homes within 120 metres of the site, and that it's also available on the Town's Web site.

He referred back to the Planning Act, which he said carefully regulates the Town's requirements for public notice.

"We meet or exceed those requirements," Mr. Iovio said.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Challinor said since Mr. Beyette "seems to have time on his hands," he should talk to the Town's crossing guard co-ordinator about getting a job as a crossing guard, referring to a presentation made during the meeting about the current shortage of guards.

Mayor Gord Krantz questioned whether or not the Town violated its public consultation guiding principles, to which Mr. Iovio said he doesn't think so.

## Vehicle access discussed

Although the development's original plans included a left-turn access from James Snow Parkway through a break in the median, Town Senior Planner Susan O'Brien explained that's been eliminated since the Ministry of Transportation indicated it wouldn't be an acceptable location.

Ward 3 Councillor Cindy Lunau speculated that those who need to turn left onto the property could resort to doing a series of U-turns, creating a safety issue.

Michael Gagnon, a planner representing the developer, assured the committee the left-turn restriction will make traffic operation around the site safer.

He indicated those who need to turn left onto the property can do so by making a left at the intersection of Main Street and James Snow Parkway and then turning left

from Main Street into the development.

Wards 2 and 4 Councillor Ron Furik questioned what would be done to ensure there's sufficient space on the property for those vehicles in the drive-through restaurant line-up, referring to other areas in town where vehicles spill out onto the road when waiting for service.

Ms O'Brien said staff recognize this has been a problem with other commercial properties located at intersections in town, so subsequently more stringent zoning requirements were introduced to allow for maximum 'stacking' of vehicles in drive throughs.

Mr. Gagnon assured Mr. Furik that

there'd be room to accommodate the vehicle "spill" on-site.

The proposal will go before council Monday night.

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