

## COUNCIL REPORT

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**Meeting Date:** March 3, 2025  
**Department:** Engineering and Public Works  
**Report No.:** EPW-2025-14  
**Submitted by:** Mark Ortiz, Director of Engineering and Public Works  
**Approved by:** Rob Browning, Chief Administrative Officer  
**SUBJECT:** **Traffic Committee Q1 2025 Update**

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**RECOMMENDATION: THAT: Report EPW-2025-14 “Traffic Committee Update Q1 2025” be received for information.**

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Traffic Committee evaluates matters pertaining to traffic, active transportation, and/or parking in accordance with the *Highway Traffic Act*. The Committee reviews matters related to roadways, parking, speed zones, sidewalks, and cross-walks, and provide recommendations that promote safety in our community using the Ontario Traffic Manual guidelines.

The key goals for the Traffic Committee are to:

- Identify challenges and opportunities in high-traffic areas;
- Provide information and recommendations to Council regarding traffic, parking, and speed zones;
- To review and consider traffic concerns raised by the public and Council; and
- To promote, support, and increase traffic initiatives throughout Strathroy-Caradoc.

### **COMMENTS:**

Requests from Council and the Public include:

- Pedestrian Crossing Requests
- All-way Stop Requests
- Speed Limit Reduction and Traffic Calming Requests
- Intersection Control Requests
- Sidewalk Requests
- Road Improvement Requests

Meeting minutes are shared with Council for information.

The following are highlights of the February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Traffic Committee meeting:

<b>Traffic Committee Item</b>	<b>Staff Action</b>
Adelaide Road and Bowan Street PXO update	Prepare a comprehensive Council report to provide an overall review of traffic data in Mount Brydges with existing pedestrian crossings and future considerations
Melbourne Road and Glendon Drive Traffic Light update	It is anticipated the construction will be in May or June of 2025
Speed Radar Sign Data Update	Twelve signs are deployed. One location that is showing speeding is Scotchmere Drive near Caradoc North Public School. The rest of the locations included in the minutes are not showing speeding concerns.

The following are highlights of the August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Traffic Committee meeting:

<b>Traffic Committee Item</b>	<b>Staff Action</b>
In order to begin the process of installing a PXO at Adelaide Road and Bowan Street in Mount Brydges, a Council resolution is required for Middlesex County to start the process.	Council resolution approved on September 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2024. Staff informed Middlesex County of the resolution.
Install knock-down markers on Scotchmere Drive in the 40 km/h Community Safety Zone	Staff is prepared to order the knock down markers and install in 2025 as a pilot program. If successful through positive community feedback, implement knock down markers in all school community safety zones as a traffic calming measure. These markers will be installed in spring 2025.
To have parking permitted on both sides of a road, the minimum width needs to be 9.0 meters from curb face to curb face	If Council agrees to Traffic Committee's recommendation, Staff will permit parking on both sides of roadways greater than 9.0 meters wide. Roads that are less than 9.0 meter wide shall be considered for no parking sign installation on one side

Complete meeting minutes are attached with this report.

#### **CONSULTATION:**

- Strathroy-Caradoc Police Chief
- Manager of Public Works

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

All costs associated with implementing the recommendations have been allocated in the 2025 Public Works Operating Budget.

**ALTERNATIVE(S) TO THE RECOMMENDATION:**

1. Council to provide alternate direction.

**STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:**

This matter is in accord with the following strategic priorities:

**Growth Management:** Strathroy-Caradoc will be an inclusive community where growth is managed to accommodate a range of needs and optimize municipal resources.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

February 2025 Traffic Committee Minutes

August 2024 Traffic Committee Minutes