

# COUNCIL REPORT

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**Meeting Date:** September 2, 2025  
**Department:** Engineering and Public Works  
**Report No.:** EPW-2025-37  
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**Approved by:** Rob Browning, Chief Administrative Officer  
**SUBJECT:** **Traffic Committee Q2 2025 Update**

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**RECOMMENDATION: THAT:** Report EPW-2025-37 “Traffic Committee Q2 2025 Update” 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 attached for information.

The following are highlights of the July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Traffic Committee meeting:

<b>Traffic Committee Item</b>	<b>Staff Action</b>
Adelaide Road and Bowan Street PXO update	Type C PXO is being installed prior to the beginning of school. Anticipated completion is August 29, 2025.
Caradoc Street CN Railway Crossing Improvements	Middlesex County Engineer and S-C Mayor Grantham are in discussion with CN to repair the tracks and provide a smoother traveling surface when passing over the railway. Currently waiting on CN to provide a timeline for the proposed repair.
Road Closure – Cooks Road between Wightman Drive and Reily Drive	Traffic Committee recommends to install Rb-92 ROAD CLOSED signs on Cooks Road from Wightman Drive to Reily Drive. The slope is showing signs of erosion and continues to get closer to the road each year. Closing the road will protect the Municipality if the road was to wash away. Traffic Committee recommends to assess the slope condition on Cooks Road from Reily Drive to Carruthers Road.

#### **CONSULTATION:**

- Strathroy-Caradoc Police Chief

#### **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:**

1. 2025 Q2 Traffic Committee Minutes