

From: Debbie Popovic
Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 12:20 PM
To: Martin, Jackie <JMartin@London.ca>
Subject: Oppose Oakridge Sidewalks

See letter below thank you.

January 17, 2017

Dear Ms. Martin,

I have been an Oakridge resident for over twenty years. Throughout this time I have seen my three beautiful children grow up in this wonderful neighborhood.

From my observation our streets do not get a lot of pedestrian traffic. It would make more sense if money was spent on repairing the roads. Many cars drive through our neighborhood and hit the constant pot holes that keep getting bigger each year. They are partially repaired, but never enough asphalt is applied to fill in the holes. I feel that if there is money in the city budget, it would be better spent repairing the streets on East Mile, North Mile, West Mile, Oban, Glen and Green Lane.

With the installation of sidewalks many trees, hedges, power-lines and lawns will have to be torn up. We have a forty foot hedge in front of our property that will have to be removed. It has taken many year to grow to that size and is beautiful. Another costly venture would be removing and relocating the power-line poles that are located on many front lawns.

The neighbors that I have spoken to are opposed to the instillation of the sidewalks. We were not informed about the meeting that took place on November 30, 2016 to discuss this matter. I am sure that many residents would have been there, if we were informed. I really can't understand why the meeting on February 21, 2017 will be taking place at 4:00 p.m. when the majority of people are working. I unfortunately will have to leave work early on that day to attend the meeting. An evening meeting would draw more people, but I gather that you don't want a big crowd.

The beauty of the Oakridge community is the lush green trees and oxygen that they provide for life. This community has been around for a long time and has survived without sidewalks for many years. Let's keep it that way!

Sincerely,

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