

Hi Paul,

We are the owners and residents of 31 Bartlett Crescent.

We did not receive a hand delivered information package from the City of London. Thank you for providing the information yesterday.

We are emphatically against the addition of a sidewalk on Bartlett Crescent, as part of the 2021 road construction project.

Our reasons:

A sidewalk is not required for cut-through pedestrian travel from Viscount Road to Barclay Road - we already have a continuous sidewalk serving that purpose on the Kinnear Crescent portion of our circle.

There will be an unnecessary loss of trees that are integral to the charm and beauty of our streetscape. This directly contravenes the city's policy of protecting existing tree cover. Replacement trees will take years to contribute the environmental and aesthetic benefits of the trees that are intended to be removed.

We have a lot of wildlife that inhabit our trees and their removal not only affects the birds, raccoons, squirrels etc., but has an impact on the health and wellness of all those who find solace in nature.

There will be decreased on-street safety for motorists, cyclists and other street users (basketball, ball hockey, 4-square etc.) due to increased on-street parking from residents and visitors, because of the loss of driveway spaces.

Unfairness: Recent purchasers and some established owners require the use of their full driveways, for their own use and to facilitate guests.

If a sidewalk is added, they will be unable to legally park cars that they currently park in their driveways.

Our street has a particular charm and desirability that is enhanced by its many trees and LACK of a sidewalk. These factors affected our decision to buy here 30 years ago, and also affected the purchase decisions of our newest neighbours.

Home Owners

Steve Chown and Jocelyn Brown