

Subject: Re.Sidewalks on Doncaster Place and Friars Way

I am a long time resident of Doncaster Place and am absolutely opposed to having a sidewalk installed, if only on one side of this short, dead end road, and making it that much narrower. Also, what would happen to that one sided sidewalk at the top of the road? Just peter out half way around the circle?! Not too appealing, I would say.

In doing all this work, I know that mature trees would undoubtedly be affected, which in turn, would affect the shade I enjoy in summer.

Furthermore, I cannot imagine how much more difficulty the snowplow would have than it does now.

Also, I am deeply concerned about the number of trees on Friars Way that would have to come down for the sake of a sidewalk. I refer to photographs shown by CTV news on Feb.9, of Friars Way ... is this not a true representation of what London is? The Forest City?

Another photograph shown, taken in Spring/Summer, when the trees have formed a shady canopy over the road. People who live here are passionate about the trees, they don't care about sidewalks, they walk freely on the roads, including those with canes, walkers, children, cyclists... traffic is most considerate and always has been. I recently drove past Wychwood and Lawson on Saturday, saw a lot of people walking, but none on the sidewalks, it's just too icy

So please, can we serve the people instead of policy, and review the policy in the interim, while the roads and catch basins etc. are repaired?

I trust that that you will take the sidewalk proposal for Doncaster place out of the plan for the reconstruction of this small, quiet cul-de-sac.

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