

NEWSLETTER TO THE BRIDLE PATH COMMUNITY – JULY 20TH, 2005
TRAFFIC CALMING HUMPS (BUMPS) IN OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD MIGHT BE
REMOVED – ACTION NEEDED NOW!

To Residents on Post Road, The Bridle Path, Bridle Heath Gate, Park Lane Circle, High Point Road and Hyde Park Circle:

Issue: The current speed humps (bumps) in our communities that provide partial traffic calming, are threatened with removal on an initiative by people who live 5 or 6 kilometers away. A number of people near Victoria Park Avenue used a procedural ploy to get North York City Council (NYCC) to consider this matter without notification to our community. The group argued, in our absence at NYCC, that the speed bumps represent an unacceptable delay for ambulances taking patients from their area to the Sunnybrook Hospital Emergency. Other facts were glossed over and ignored - at least one hospital – North York General - and possibly two others closer than Sunnybrook that successfully handle emergency patients.

Impact: If the speed bumps are removed from our streets, vehicle speeds will increase. This will threaten our safety, and our children's safety, as we walk, cycle or jog on our own residential streets. If the speed bumps are removed from just some of our streets, it could have the effect of concentrating traffic on those streets.

Action: A group of residents met with Councillor Cliff Jenkins to establish a plan to preserve traffic calming in the Bridle Path area. We need YOU to act too. If we act as a strongly united community, we will maintain our traffic calming measures.

We propose a number of activities, in which we ask for your participation.

- 1. Begin to resuscitate the Bayview Heights Ratepayers Association.**
- 2. Plan an information campaign for the City Councillors who will decide this matter by vote at Council, probably in November.**

The first meeting will be held on **4th August 2005 at One Post Road, the Piano Room at 7.00 p.m. – 8 p.m.** Councillor Cliff Jenkins will be present to assist us. If you wish to get more information in the meantime, or to propose other immediate actions, please call one of the following people on the Organizing Committee:

Representing The Bridle Path/ Bridle Heath Gate: Kuntesh Chandaria - 416 494-7772 ex 32 and e-mail: kuntesh@comcraft.com

Representing High Point Road: Vasken Yeretsian; (Park Lane Circle, Post Road – TBA)

Representing Hyde Park Circle: Maureen Wright - 416-440 -2500/416 447-2500 or e-mail: pr@lma.net

Note to residents: There is no parking at One Post Road, please park on adjacent streets.

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