

From: Ken Key <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, September 25, 2020 11:44 AM
To: Alar Soever [REDACTED]
Subject:

Dear Mr. Mayor and Members of Council,

I am a resident who lives at [REDACTED] Lakeshore Rd. East in the Town of the Blue Mountains.

I have never complained to council about anything before so I hope you will understand that this matter is important enough for me to write.

Recently in order to control crowding at Northwinds Beach paid parking was implemented for non residents.

I believe this was a good idea.

Unfortunately this has forced those non residents who do not want to pay to park onto side streets.

The situation has become unbearable on Lakeshore Road east and also unsafe. Parking is allowed on one side of the street. This is also a bus route.

People are parking in such numbers I cant get out of my driveway safely.

I can not see vehicles making left turns from Grey Rd. 19 to enter our street.

Also drivers exiting the Craigleith Train Station Museum onto Lakeshore Rd. E. can not see traffic approaching from either direction

for all the parked cars. On busy weekends they park right up to the stop sign.

Sometimes block my drive and ignore the fire hydrant a

little further down the road. Pedestrians and residents have no where safe to walk, forced into the center of the road.

The bylaw officers have been great and have issued some tickets but all agree there is a problem but can't do anything about it without help from council.

Its not just on busy weekends when the Northwinds lot could be full.

Today a Thursday the lots were virtually empty, Yet six cars were parked in front of my house, all non residents because I asked them , and some even facing the wrong direction. They were there for up to seven hours all heading to the beach.

There was no where safe for service vehicles to stop or pedestrians to walk. When the bus goes by the road way is jammed when cars are parked like this.

When Bylaw arrived at 5:15 they had all left. Both officers were extremely nice and polite and felt something needs to be done . There was no need for cars to be parked here when all three of the available lots had plenty of available parking.

The situation has become unbearable and unsafe.

Could you please look into placing No stopping or No parking signs on this side of Lakeshore RD E. .

Thank You

Ken Key

ADDENDUM DATED SEPTEMBER 29, 2020

If the weather is nice on a Monday non resident vehicles park on this street even when the lot is empty at the beach, to avoid paying.

On the occasional sunny Monday the bus and the garbage truck meet at the same time going in opposite directions passing the parked cars.

The truck has difficulty getting the trash cans and the bus is also crowd out. This also makes it dangerous for pedestrians in the vicinity.

Bi law officers have been very courteous and helpful and understanding, but little that they can do at the moment. Due to lack of prohibited parking.

My letter refers to specifically LAKESHORE RD. East.