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Re: Grey Ox Ave Improvements

Dear Mr. and Ms. Murray,

This letter is in response to the email you sent to the Township on Feb. 16, 2023 regarding improvements to Grey Ox Ave and information you heard on a local radio station.

Beginning in 2022 and again in Feb. 2023, Township staff launched a public education campaign that is called 'Mud Season'. The purpose of the campaign is to inform users of our gravel roads, that they will become soft in the spring thaw and mild periods in winter. Drivers should use an appropriate level of caution when traveling on gravel roads in these situations and avoid driving on these roads if they don't need to. The purpose of this recommendation is not to deter customers from travelling to your business, but to try to reduce the damage that some traffic can inflict on gravel roads, which affects the people that need to use the gravel roads. Unfortunately, there is very little Township staff can do to improve a gravel road until the surface has an opportunity to dry out.

The Township did not purchase radio air time for this campaign and we did not hear the information that was conveyed on the radio, so we cannot verify if the information you heard is consistent with the message that was being communicated by the Township.

The conversion of gravel roads to a hard surface has been included in the Township Strategic Plan and we are in the process of completing these projects. Kairshea Ave was upgraded in 2021 and staff are currently focusing on improving South Kinloss Ave in preparation for a potential paving project in 2025. The current 10 Year Capital plan includes the paving of Langside St. in 2028 and Grey Ox Ave from Langside St. to Whitechurch St. in 2029, however, this is subject to change based on budget constraints.

One improvement project on Grey Ox Ave the is included in the proposed 2023 Capital Budget, is the installation of a steel beam guide rail along the curve located west of Langside St. This is intended to improve road safety by prevent vehicles from leaving the roadway.



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Please contact me if you have any further questions.

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