

Hi There,

I am emailing in regards to the meeting about the possible implementation of bicycle lanes on Clearmeadow Blvd. I would like to attend the live meeting if there is a link available for viewing. Furthermore, I have included an opposing view that I would like to be discussed in the meeting below.

After receiving a notice in the mail in regards to the proposed bicycle lanes on Clearmeadow Blvd, multiple issues have been raised for those living on the street. Firstly, the implementation of bike lanes on both sides of the street permanently removes the ability of street parking. With this being said, our families and friends will no longer be able to park in front of our houses, which is a major issue. The driveways on Clearmeadow Blvd are insufficient to be able to support numerous guests. In addition, Whipper Billy Watson Baseball Diamond will face extreme difficulties. When it is the baseball season, families are parked bumper to bumper on the street, as there is not enough parking spaces to accommodate the amount of people. Furthermore, when a major decision, such as these bike lanes, are possibly being implemented it should be with the consent of the home owners, or at least the large majority. I hope these implications are taken under consideration. It would be reasonable to go forth with making a bicycle lane on the side of the street that is already a no park zone. This would keep the retrospective side of the road still available for parking that is much needed. It is simply a requirement for our newmarket residents to have street parking available. A petition has also been made by one of my fellow neighbours to stop the construction of bicycle lanes with an overwhelming response. It has been made evident that the residents of Clearmeadow Blvd, and our street neighbours that would be affected by the bicycle lanes, due to external factors, such as having to use their streets near by for street parking, would create further problems and a lot of upset Newmarket residents. With all this being said, going forward with one bicycle lane on the no park zone of Clearmeadow Blvd appears to be the only beneficial and middle ground option.

Thank you for the consideration,

David Petley and Samantha Petley