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From: David Nesbitt [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2024 4:52 PM
To: Clerks Department Elliot Lake
Subject: Paris lane way closure

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

I object strenuously to closing that laneway. It gives people access to the hiking paths, the green space and Tokyo Crescent and Washington Crescent. Also the most direct connection from Washington to the pool..

Little maintenance needed and it is well used..

I am afraid it is a case of NIMBY trying to cull public access.

Truly,
Wilfred Nesbitt

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From: John & Karen Walker [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2024 10:04 AM
To: Clerks Department Elliot Lake
Subject: Paris to Tokyo walkway

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

I have been using that walkway for over 40 years and my grandchildren use it on their way to school. The city should not close any walkways. They are a feature of the city that make it shorter when you walk someplace. Instead the city should do a better job maintaining them. That walkway has been neglected for decades. Also in the winter one resident on Tokyo across from that walkway has a front end loader move their snow. They pile the snow at the entrance to the walkway and make it nearly impossible to access. Maybe it is about time our bylaw about snow removal be enforced.

John Walker

[REDACTED]

From: Paris Plaza Maintenance [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 15, 2024 5:23 PM
To: Clerks Department Elliot Lake
Subject: Paris Laneway closure

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

I am in opposition to this closure as it is used by many and specifically residents of the Paris Plaza. The owners and managers of which I am one are in opposition. We would like the city to properly maintain this so it can be a more attractive pathway for others to use. I will put in writing our opposition and include the many supporters on your original Facebook post. Totally ridiculous that a city that is trying to attract residents based on our trail systems would remove any access points

George Robinson
Maintenance Manager Paris Plaza.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 18, 2024 8:32 PM
To: Clerks Department Elliot Lake
Subject: Paris st laneway

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Personally I am against closing this access lane way due to the fact that it has been in existence without issue for a long time. Likely the two homeowners are "newbie's " that object to this shortcut because they fear to be vandalized. Leave it open , it is being used by real Elliot Lakers, Respectfully, JohnF Watts Sent from my iPhone

[REDACTED]

From: Enza Fabris [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2024 10:16 PM
To: Clerks Department Elliot Lake

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

To whom it may concern,

I am a high school student who lives on Tokyo. The matter of closing the trail between Tokyo and Paris affects me as well as many other students and civilians who access the trail to get to stores, school or simply to cut through as a shortcut. I walk this trail twice a day every day, saving time to get to school on time. Some have mentioned or suggested to use the trail that heads to the park, though there should be more concerns regarding this trail. It isn't maintained and there have been many incidents where people have found needles. The trail that is at risk of closing has never had these types of concerns. Closing this lane way will disappoint many and complicate the lives of many.

The only concern regarding this lane way should be that throughout the winter the neighbors throw the snow into the trail blocking the path.

Sincerely, Enza Fabris

Lane closure on Paris Drive from D. Noseworthy.

I completely understand the home owner's frustration with this lane being open. As read online the lane has been undesirable spot for drug use as well as pet feces.

I understand that getting rid of this walk way seem like a good idea but I disagree and with no disrespect to the home owners of course, here are a few reasons why I think eliminating the walk way is not a great idea.

1. Who is paying for the closure of this trail? If it is the city I am concerned that more home owners around town will want the same for themselves, Elliot Lake is full of these walkways going between homes. I feel if the city is expected to pay this then this could turn into not such a great way to spend city funds and resources.
2. If you are a walker in this town you know how super convenient these walkways are especially for the youth of our town, I grew up here and these walk ways provide a quick way for the youth to get around to see their friends.
3. The walkway in question (this time) does seem overgrown but I don't believe the city has ever really maintained it. This walk way is a great short cut to reach the Axmith and Tokyo areas and this once again benefits our youth. The walk way is also the entrance to a trail that goes all down Paris drive, up to through Ottawa and actually doesn't end until the Washington's apartment buildings, I know this because when I was a child I used to walk that trail it was a great way to access my friends houses on Paris and Tokyo (I lived on Ottawa)
4. If this trail that I mentioned wasn't used it wouldn't be such an issue but I have asked my now teenage child if he's ever been back there and yeah sure enough he has been back there biking with his friends. The walk way is once of many entrances to this trail and I feel eliminating it takes out the convenience of the walkway.
5. I believe the homeowners are allowed a fence at 6 feet tall in our town would this not help with the issues they are facing?
6. I also worry that the issues the homeowners are having (pet feces and drug paraphilia) would become more of an issue at the children's playground just up the road as there is also a trail that goes up to the Tokyo/Axmith area there as well.

Once again, no ill feelings to the homeowners, but as a member of this town that has used many of the walkways while growing up. I just feel this could be the start of a mass removal of the walkways and if this city is expected to cover the bill, then it's just not a great way for city funds and resources, in my opinion.