

Bridge Lake Drive Traffic Calming Project

Phase 2 Community Engagement Summary

March 2024

Background

Bridge Lake Drive was identified as a high-priority location for traffic calming measures through the City's Traffic Calming Program.

We collected traffic data on Bridge Lake Drive between North Town Road and Eagleview Road in April, 2019:

- The 85th percentile speed, which is the speed at which 85 percent of motorists travel at or below, is 56 km/h
- About 340 vehicles travel 55 km/h or faster every day
 - A third of these vehicles travel faster than 60 km/h

Traffic calming measures will be installed on Bridge Lake Drive to help slow speeds and create a safer space for all road users.

Engagement

In Summer 2023, we asked community members to complete a survey. This survey helped us understand how they feel about the street's current state and issues.

We developed a proposed traffic calming design based on what we heard. The design included speed tables, raised crosswalks, curb extensions, sidewalk improvements and improved parking signage.

In early 2024, we presented this proposed design to the community for their feedback. An online survey was open from January 10-31, 2024. We received nine responses.

Promotion

The survey was promoted using:

- Project webpage – winnipeg.ca/bridgelakecalming updated January 10, 2024
- Direct-mailed postcards to 54 nearby properties with an invitation to take the survey – January 10, 2024
- On-street signage notifying residents that traffic calming measures are coming – installed during the week of June 26, 2023 and left in place throughout Phase 2
- An email to 10 individuals who previously signed up for project updates – January 10, 2024

Key Findings

The findings below are based on nine surveys out of 54 notified properties. We recognize this is a small sample.

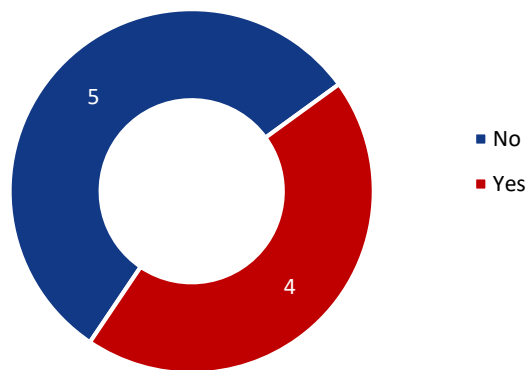
- Respondents understand the proposed changes.
- Some are concerned with the proposed changes.
- Seven out of nine respondents feel the proposed measures will improve the quality of life of the surrounding community.

Online survey results

While all nine respondents understand the proposed changes to Bridge Lake Drive, four expressed concerns (see Figure 1).

Figure 1: Concerns with proposed changes

Do you have any concerns about the proposed changes?



Total responses: 9

Respondents who answered “yes” had the opportunity to explain why in an open-ended format. Concerns included:

- Need for speed enforcement
- Concern that speed tables/raised crosswalks will damage vehicles
- Concern that traffic calming measures will encourage increased traffic volumes on other roads

When asked whether they believed the proposed traffic calming measures would improve the quality of life in the surrounding community, seven out of nine respondents either strongly agreed or agreed (see Figure 2).

To learn more about the Bridge Lake Drive Traffic Calming project please visit winnipeg.ca/bridgelakecalming



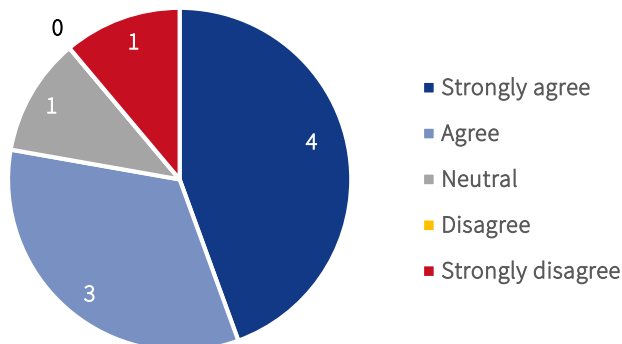
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Figure 2: Quality of life

Do you believe the proposed traffic management measures will improve quality of life in the surrounding community?



Total responses: 9

What We Heard	How It Was Considered
Enforcement of the speed limit is needed.	Traffic calming measures are intended to be self-enforcing.
Concern that speed tables and raised crosswalks damage cars.	The speed tables and raised crosswalks will all be marked with appropriate signage. Those driving at a reasonable speed should not damage their vehicles.
A request that further speed calming is placed on adjacent streets over concern that vehicles will use those streets instead.	The traffic calming design is intended to better align operating speeds with the speed limit. It is not expected to significantly reduce traffic volumes by diverting motorists to adjacent streets. Bridge Lake Drive is still intended to operate as a neighbourhood collector street.
Frustration that drivers are idling near bus stops to pick up students.	We reviewed parking signs on Bridge Lake Drive based on feedback from Phase 1 engagement. Additional signage was installed to clarify where parking is prohibited. If motorists are parking or stopping illegally, residents can contact 311 to request enforcement from the Winnipeg Parking Authority.

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Next Steps

What we heard will help us refine the final design, which will be presented for information and implementation as early as the 2024 construction season.

Appendices

Appendix A – Postcard notification

Appendix B – On-street signage

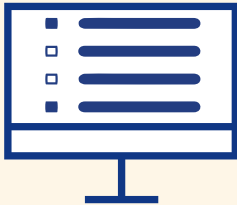
Appendix C – Online survey results

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As a reminder: traffic calming measures are coming to Bridge Lake Drive.

We used what we heard from the community during Phase 1 of the project to develop a recommended solution for the street. The design includes speed tables, raised crosswalks, and curb extensions.

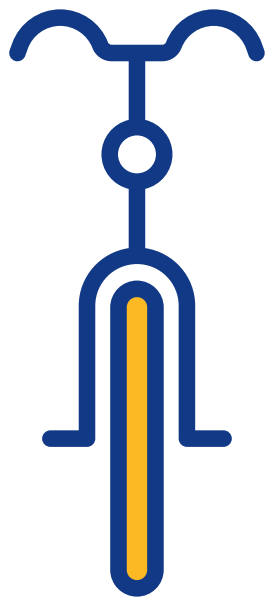
Now, we once again want to hear from you.



View the proposed design and complete the online survey
by January 31, 2024 at: winnipeg.ca/bridgelakecalming

Please **contact** city-engage@winnipeg.ca or call 204-986-4243
by January 21 **with inquiries or if you require alternate
formats or interpretation to participate.**

TRAFFIC CALMING COMING SOON



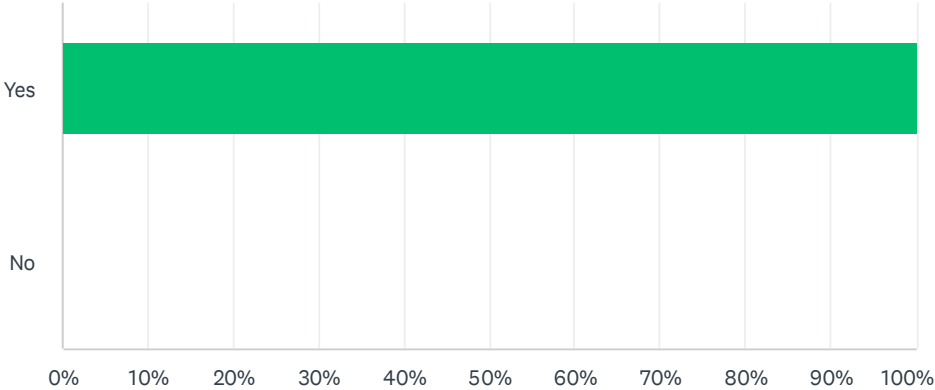
We've heard high speeds are an issue on this street. Help us decide what solutions could work for your neighbourhood.

For more information and to provide feedback visit:
winnipeg.ca/trafficalming

For alternate formats contact:
city-engage@winnipeg.ca or 204-986-4243.

Q1 Do you understand the proposed traffic calming improvements on Bridge Lake Drive between North Town Road and Eagleview Road?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 0

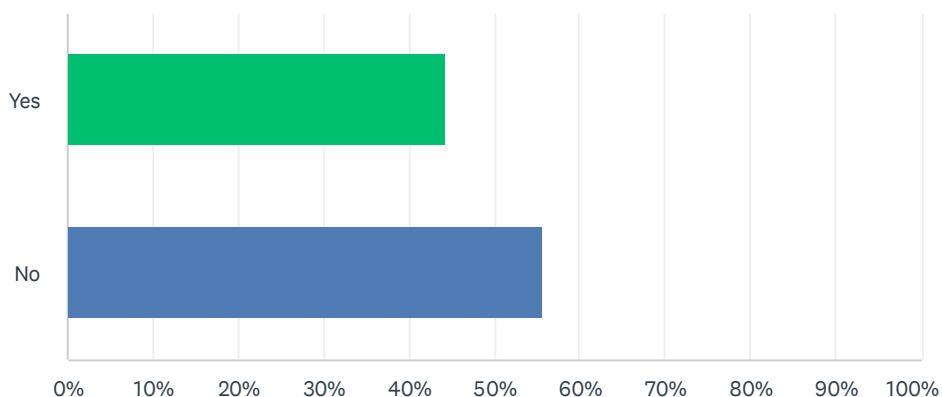


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	100.00%	9
No	0.00%	0
TOTAL		9

#	IF NO, PLEASE EXPLAIN	DATE
	There are no responses.	

Q2 Do you have any concerns about the proposed changes?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 0

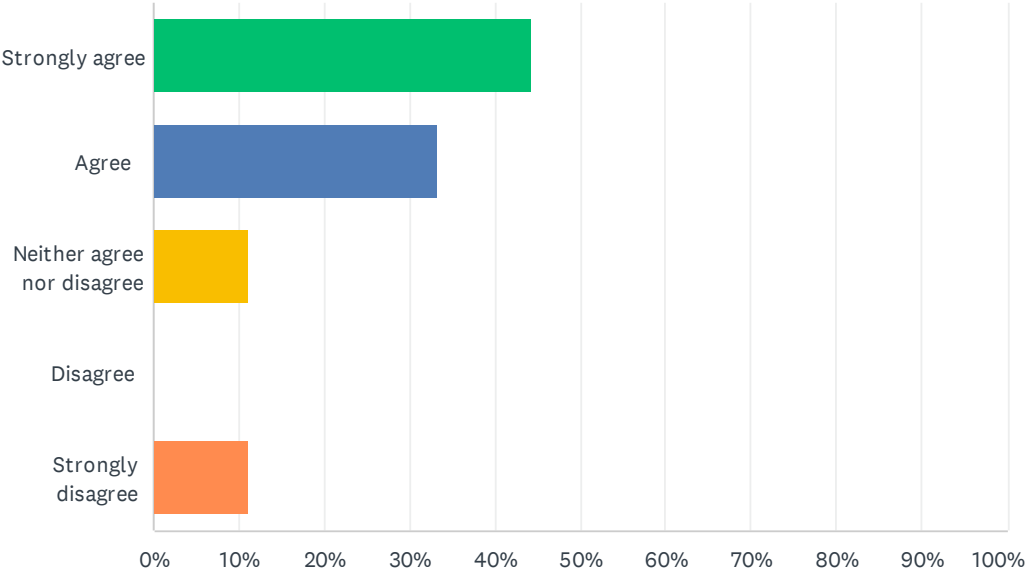


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	44.44% 4
No	55.56% 5
TOTAL	9

#	IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN.	DATE
1	The side of Bridge Lake north side by bus stop on inlet street signs of one way or no stopping needs to happen as people dropping off kids for bus in am and picking up in afternoon creates pure craziness in the morning at drop off and afternoon at pick up - The people dropping off and picking up have no care or concern for the people living and at times we cannot get access to our own driveway as they just stop and wait	1/16/2024 10:07 AM
2	I do not like speed bumps they are not good for the suspension of vehicles, being that we are already from Winnipeg, our cars already take a beating, we do not need more speed bumps.	1/11/2024 11:15 AM
3	Lake Bend Road is a cut-through for couriers, contractors, school bus drivers and driver trainers. It is a much shorter loop from one side of Bridgwater Lakes (than Eagleview Rd or any other route) to the other side. As a resident on Lake Bend since the beginning, I have witnessed the extra traffic. Traffic calming on Bridge Lake Drive will result in increased traffic on Lake Bend Rd. I support multiple "speed tables" and "raised crossings" for Lake Bend Road. Please add these to your proposed solution.	1/11/2024 10:53 AM
4	Please mark the crossings, there is no point in waiting. Furthermore, prior to beginning this project, may I suggest speed traps. (I also suggested this in the previous survey). I'm sure that the speeding tickets could help to pay for this project. I also suggest that time be spent fixing the problem quickly instead of doing surveys. Luckily, there have not been any fatalities involving children yet. What are we waiting for???	1/10/2024 9:47 PM

Q3 How strongly do you agree with the following statement: The proposed changes will improve quality of life in the surrounding community.

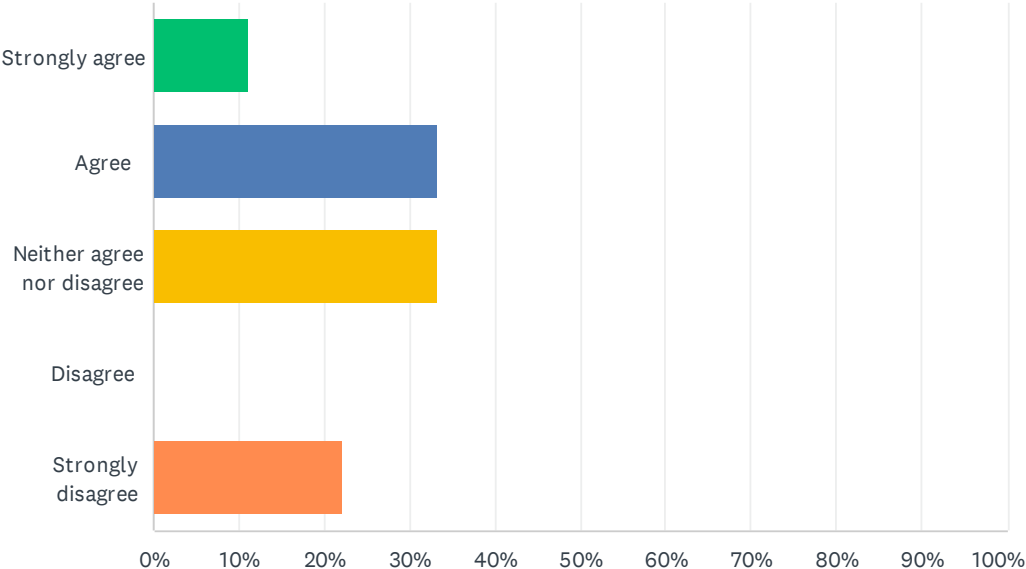
Answered: 9 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	44.44%	4
Agree	33.33%	3
Neither agree nor disagree	11.11%	1
Disagree	0.00%	0
Strongly disagree	11.11%	1
TOTAL		9

Q4 How strongly do you agree with the following statement: I had an opportunity to provide input into decision making.

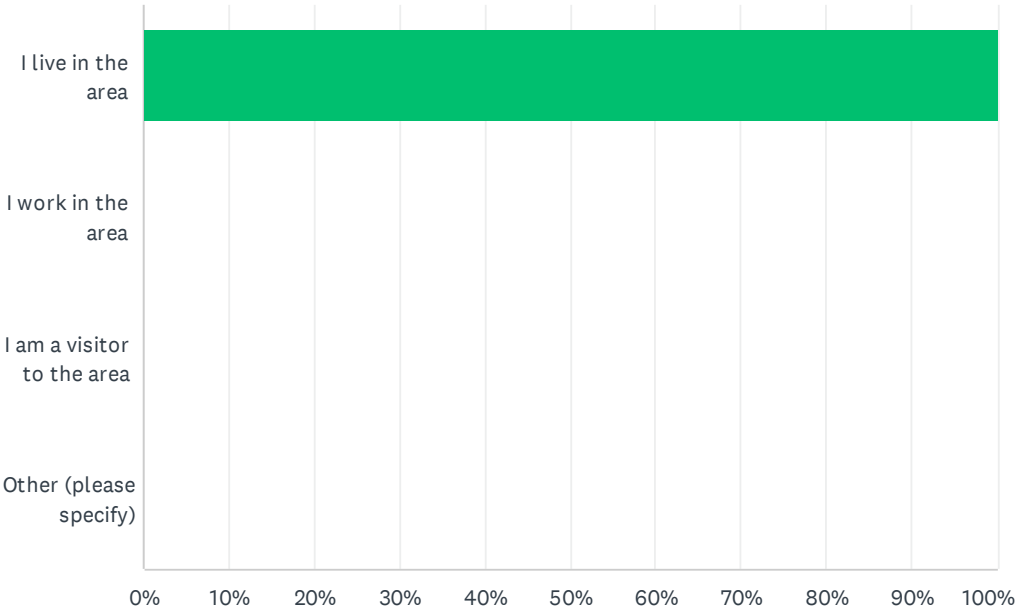
Answered: 9 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Strongly agree	11.11% 1
Agree	33.33% 3
Neither agree nor disagree	33.33% 3
Disagree	0.00% 0
Strongly disagree	22.22% 2
TOTAL	9

Q5 What best describes your link to the area? Please select only one.

Answered: 9 Skipped: 0

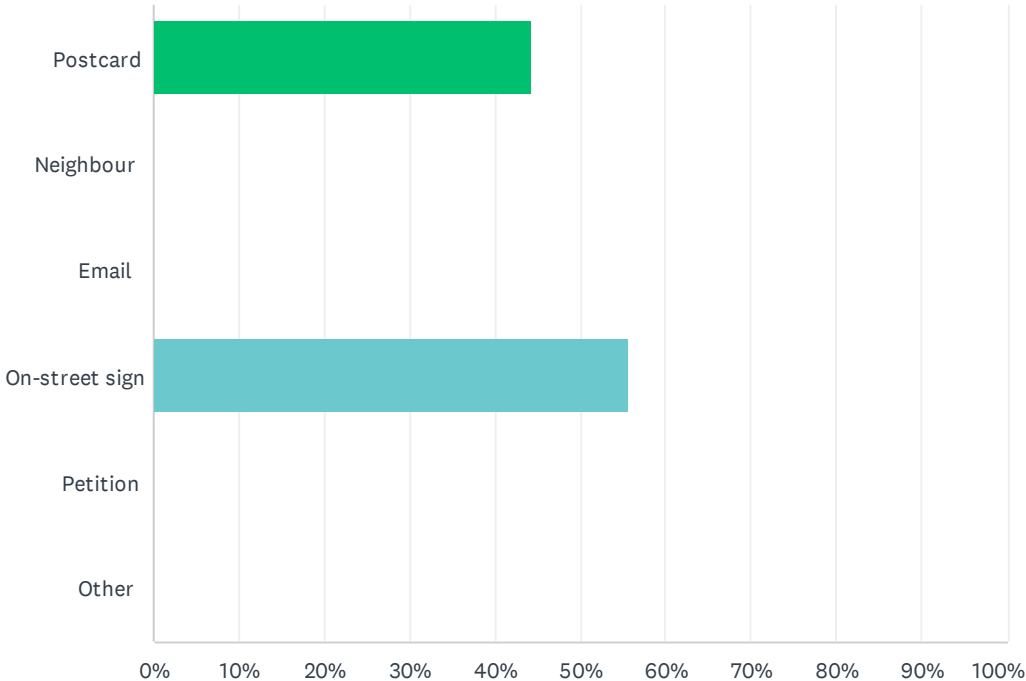


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I live in the area	100.00% 9
I work in the area	0.00% 0
I am a visitor to the area	0.00% 0
Other (please specify)	0.00% 0
TOTAL	9

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
	There are no responses.	

Q6 How did you hear about this project?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Postcard	44.44% 4
Neighbour	0.00% 0
Email	0.00% 0
On-street sign	55.56% 5
Petition	0.00% 0
Other	0.00% 0
TOTAL	9

Q7 Are there any additional comments you would like to share?

Answered: 5 Skipped: 4

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I do wish that there are sidewalks that continue and don't dump you at a grass median between Bridgelake drive and the small service road for houses. Because I do regularly walk from my house to Bridgewater Center and it is quite annoying that I have to walk on the side of the service road, and is more so dangerous during the winter times as ice and snowplow mountains make it much more difficult to walk. There are already some concrete patches for the bus stations why not extend them to the actual sidewalk so people can get around easier?	1/16/2024 9:45 PM
2	Photo Radar? Signs? People respecting the community	1/16/2024 10:08 AM
3	When the school is built, access to it should not be on Bridge Lake Drive.	1/13/2024 3:24 PM
4	Please consider the ramifications of your traffic calming solution on Bridge Lake Drive. I fear that Lake Bend Rd will be negatively effected. Please add traffic calming measures to Lake Bend Rd. THX	1/11/2024 10:56 AM
5	Reducing speed in the area due to the large amount of outdoor equipment and parks in the area. There are a large number of children who use the area and people are notorious for speeding in this area as well as overtaking other motorists when they do not like the speed at which they are going. It is ludicrous and extremely dangerous. A reduction of speed is essential. 50 km/h is too fast.	1/10/2024 11:48 AM