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RE: Relocation of the Douglaswood Drive School Bus Stop

Dear Ms. Cooling:

I am writing on behalf of East Hants Municipal Council regarding a recent decision of the CCRCE to relocate a long-standing bus stop from Douglaswood Drive to South Rawdon Road.

Council shares parent concerns that the lack of notice for this move was insufficient and caused significant disruption for many who rely on friends, family and neighbors to walk children to the bus stop on Douglaswood Drive. The very short notice left many in a difficult position. In some cases, the relocation means they no longer have someone able to walk their children, which has caused additional stress.

In addition to the short notice, Council also shares the safety concerns of parents that this new stop is unsafe, in an area of South Rawdon Road with very little to no road shoulders for children to safely wait for the bus.

We anticipate more growth and development, not only in other parts of East Hants, but in this area as well. More busses and stops should be expected in the coming months and years.

On behalf of Council, I urge you to reconsider this decision and re-establish the previous stop on Douglaswood Drive.

Best regards,

Eleanor Roulston, Warden

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Cc:

- Tim Houston, Premier of NS
- Chantelle Paris, Executive Assistant to the CCRCE Regional Executive Director
- Becky Druhan, Minister of Education
- John A. MacDonald, MLA Hants East
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