



We Are Your Neighbourhood Residents' Association!

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Trefann Withdraws from CPLC

After months of debate, discussion and recollection of fond memories, Trefann Court formally withdrew its membership from the Toronto Police 51 Division Community Policing Liaison Committee (CPLC) on June 16, 2008.

The following letter was both read out loud at the CPLC meeting, and handed to the Superintendent of 51 Division. If anyone has any questions, comments and/or concerns, please feel free to contact any member of the TCRA Steering Committee (email: info@trefann.org).

TREFANN COURT RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
June 12, 2008
Toronto Police Service
51 Division
51 Parliament Street
Toronto, Ontario

Attention: Superintendent

Re: Community Police Liaison Committee (the "CPLC")

It is with regret that the Trefann Court Residents Association ("TCRA"), a founding member of the 51 Division CPLC, has determined that the TCRA is withdrawing its membership in the CPLC effective immediately. A resolution to withdraw from the CPLC was passed at the last meeting of the Steering Committee.

The TCRA Steering Committee has concerns that the CPLC appears to openly endorse the Toronto Drug Strategy without proper discussion and without any input being obtained from the organizations that make up the CPLC. Advancing the Drug Strategy is not among the stated goals or objectives of the CPLC and, in our view, the Toronto Drug Strategy will have a material negative impact on our community.

The TCRA Steering Committee is also frustrated with the apparent unwillingness of the CPLC to discuss and address drug-related issues. These issues are, in the view of the TCRA's Steering Committee, of fundamental importance to our community and should be addressed by the CPLC. The CPLC should exist to address all of the concerns of the member organizations such as the TCRA and no issues, no matter how political, should be "off the table".

The effectiveness of the CPLC has, historically, resulted from taking a proactive approach to issues and concerns facing the community and the open discussion of all issues raised by member organizations. Where issues as fundamental as drugs and the impact that they have on our community are "off the table" it is impossible, in our view, to work together in identifying, prioritizing and problem solving of local policing issues, or be proactive in community relations and crime prevention two of the fundamental objectives of the CPLC.

We are also concerned that TCRA's representatives on the CPLC have reported that the "official" minutes of meetings of the CPLC meetings might not accurately and fully reflect the discussion at CPLC meetings. The minutes of CPLC meetings must accurately reflect all discussions at the meetings and no individual should control what is reflected in the minutes of CPLC meetings.

The TCRA remains committed to working with the Toronto Police Service to provide a safe, welcoming community for everyone who lives in, works in, or visits Trefann Court.

Yours truly,
Trefann Court Residents Association

Longtime School Crossing Guard Retires

It is with mixed feelings (1 part 'happy for her' + 1 part 'sad for us') that we say "Happy Retirement" to a wonderful individual in our neighbourhood. Crossing Guard Anne is leaving her post at the corner of Shuter and Sumach, (held for more than 30 years!) and moving on to her well-earned life of leisure.



Throughout the years, Anne has ALWAYS been a safeguard for the children, a friendly morning greeter to the adults and a comfort to all who crossed paths with her. So...

We bid a fond farewell and nothing but kind and warm wishes to go with you.

With the heartfelt thanks of 3 generations of Trefranners... Happy Retirement, Anne! You will be missed!



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Pothole Madness

On Shuter St, between Parliament and Trefann, is a jumbo pothole, a road cave-in really, which seems to be getting worse. The roadway

had been repaired here at least once before; the latest cave-in was simply marked with pylons for a few weeks before it was repaired, shortly after June 8 (see June 8 picture). Within



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days, a substantially bigger hole re-opened in the roadway (see June 19 picture on pg.4). This road cave-in forces car traffic to swerve dangerously into the bike lane and very close to the parked cars (watch out, cyclists). It was repaired again, but within 24 hours started sinking again (see June 21 picture). Don't Trefann Court roads deserve proper repairs?



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For Your Information...

If anyone is ever interested in improving their little corner of Trefann, the best and easiest way I have discovered is **Access Toronto**. It is so simple, convenient and takes naught but a few minutes of your time. Just email your question and/or concern to accesstoronto@toronto.ca and within 24 hours you WILL get a response. Even if you do not know who or what department you need to speak with, they, Access Toronto, will forward your inquiry to the proper individual(s). Some of our best results in recent months include:



- 4 new streetlights on Wascana
- pothole repairs on Sumach and Shuter Streets
- the return of our stolen garbage receptacle at the condos
- the port-o-potty removal from Bright Street's little park
- maintenance and up-keep in our parks

Community Safety

To work towards a safer community, you are encouraged to report any suspicious activity (prostitution, drug activity, trespassers, etc.) by calling the **Toronto Police Hotline at 416-808-2222**. This *non-emergency* number

is the most efficient way to log your concern/complaint. Be sure to press "0" right away to bypass the long automated message and speak to an operator directly. By reporting activities such as these, you are doing your part to ensure that Trefann Court receives its fair share of police resources (community officers, bike and street policing). Be sure to request an **incident report number** to ensure that your call is being logged.

TCRA Events

Thank you to all who attended our Spring Social at The Dominion on Queen in April. A fun time - and good food - was had by all!



The TCRA's aim is to increase information sharing and provide a forum for Trefann Court residents to meet each other and discuss issues that affect us. To enable community spirit, neighbourly co-operation and activism in Trefann Court, we have a community website: www.trefann.org where you can always find the latest neighbourhood information. Your comments, questions or suggestions are always welcome. Contact us at: info@trefann.org

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