



Pape Junior Public School CLC Meeting Summary
January 30, 2024
Virtual Microsoft Teams Meeting 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Attendees

Metrolinx

Phil Rodrigues
Zaidun Alganabi
Mathavan Jaya
Jian Guan
Paula Rotenberg
Kristin Jenkins
Connie Lim
Norando Brown
Jesse Pakkala
John Potter
Nagina Shahsamand
Mohammed Hassouna
Frank Babic
Ahmed Nejm
Paul Collins
Sean Major
Louis Vatr
Michelle Parratt
Pamela Sears
Malcolm Mackay
Darren Cooney

TDSB

Vladimir Tarakanov

Meeting Notes

Norando started the meeting with a Land Acknowledgement, outlined the meeting format and agenda.

Updates

THESL Work:

- Mathavan provided an overview of ongoing construction activities regarding the rebuild of existing maintenance chambers. Forecast completion is expected in 2024, with multiple phases outlined.

Emma Moynihan
Carol Shea

Pape Children's House

Cherie Blades
Jannet Haitas

Parent Council

Cara McCutcheon

City of Toronto

Keisha Lake

Toronto Community Housing

Lesley Hamilton

Elected Officials

Sara Ehrhardt (School Trustee)
Nicholas Valverde (Councillor Paula Fletcher's Office)

Community Members

John Scully



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Pape Junior Noise Wall:

- Substantial completion of the noise wall was reported as of January 28, with some areas needing attention related to permanent anti-climbing fencing on one pillar of the noise wall and to finish the noise barrier entrance at the Pape Jr School drop-off entrance.
- Differences between the starting state and end state were noted. All noise panels are in place, and it is functional now.

Sewer Relocation Update:

- Details were shared regarding the contractor in place, Clearway Construction, and the timeline for sewer relocation work which will impact traffic from late spring 2024 to spring 2026. The micro-tunneling under the school as well as the concurrent installation of the combined sewer and water line on Pape were discussed.
- The purpose and advantages of micro-tunneling were explained, emphasizing minimal surface disturbance and safe pedestrian activities over the tunnels.
- A community information session about the sewer work and traffic impacts is being planned for mid-February.

Soil Management Update:

- Soil sample results along Pape Avenue were discussed, along with measures to manage airborne particles.
- Three soil samples were recently taken, and they are below Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) standards.

Air Quality Update:

- Insights were provided into the ambient and indoor air quality monitoring programs.
- A new ambient monitoring station is in place on the east side of Pape Avenue, across from the school, which will generally be downwind of construction activities. Two dust monitors have been installed.
- Indoor monitoring stations on the 1st and 2nd floors were relocated as the original monitored classrooms are no longer occupied.
- The monitoring station will measure dust (PM2.5 and PM10).
- Measurements were taken of total volatile compounds in ambient and indoor air from May to December 2023.
- Ambient (outdoor) TVOC levels are consistently below the warning limit.
- Indoor TVOC levels are well below Health Canada guidelines. A few exceedances were reported in the summer attributed to cleaning activities in



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the school as there was no Metrolinx construction at that time.

Upcoming Activities and Issues Tracker:

- Actions were outlined, including sharing meeting minutes, mural updates, and addressing various issues such as safety plans, scaffolding installation, and noise concerns. Please see issues tracker for greater detail.

Community Questions

Question: Could the noise wall specifications be provided?

Answer:

- Metrolinx will provide noise wall specifications.

Question: What is the level of noise expected with the windows open in the school?

- For the Toronto Hydro construction work, Metrolinx expects noise levels in the playground area not to exceed 69dBA based on our noise predictions with the noise barrier. Background noise levels inside classrooms without any construction activities is about 50 dBA. When construction activities occur, and with the noise wall installed, we can expect indoor noise to be limited to 55 dBA during Toronto Hydro construction work, which falls within the TDSB guidance on indoor noise in the classroom.
- **Please note:** Further information about the noise wall can be found in the Q&A summary document of the noise workshop held December 2023.
 - [Video recording of the Pape School CLC Noise Workshop](#)
 - [Meeting Minutes and Question and Answer: Noise Workshop](#)

Question:

Why are averages over a longer time period used instead of the time period that students are in the vicinity of the school? (8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.)?

Answer:

- This topic was covered previously at the noise workshop. A posting of the recording of that workshop can be found on the Ontario Line website.



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However, for clarity:

- It was noted that indoor noise levels in classrooms, would aim for construction noise levels below 55dBA.
- An approach was outlined to adopt an 80dBA Leq with a 10-minute limit to ensure 55dBA noise limits are achieved with the school's windows closed and to minimize impact to classrooms.
- An average measurement from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. does not make an impact to achieving the noise limits as outlined in the Pape Junior Public School Health & Safety Plan and at the noise workshop held December 2023.
- Metrolinx can have offline conversations on the topic of noise impacts at the school as requested.

Question: Will there be monitoring of the traffic flows at the pick-up and drop-off area on Pape Ave. The entrance seems to be narrow.

Answer:

- Toronto Hydro will stop work between 8:30 a.m. and 9 a.m. and between 3:00 p. m. and 3:30 p.m.
- Traffic Control coordinators and Paid Duty Officers are also in place to manage traffic.
- Parents are encouraged to use the Riverdale entrance to the school for pick-up and drop-off, where safe and possible.

Question: Can you speak more the sewer installation work? You mentioned work related to water main will be occurring. When will it happen? How long will this take?

Answer:

- The water main work will happen concurrent to the sewer work, this will start this summer.
- Generally, the storm sewer, combined sewer and watermain installation work is expected to start Spring/Summer of 2024 and the storm sewer removal at Pape Ave is expected to take place at the end of 2025. However, a detailed schedule of the work will be shared with the public and CLC once we have better determined those dates.



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Question: Will the sidewalk access at the north-west corner of Pape and Riverdale be impacted by the exit location for the micro-tunneling?

Answer:

- Along Pape Ave and Riverdale Ave, the sidewalk will not be accessible during the watermain, combined sewer and storm sewer installation work. The walkway access to the school next to the parking lot from Riverdale will be accessible.
- Pedestrian traffic will be redirected to other accessible sidewalks by traffic control people or a PDO. Signage will also be in place to indicate where people can safely cross the street to access available sidewalks.
- The noise wall has been designed along Pape and Riverdale to maintain pedestrian access.

Question: There are concerns with security staff in the overnight. They are questioning people walking in their own neighbourhood. This is inappropriate, what can be done?

Answer:

- We will look into this and will also arrange for an introduction of new security staff to support good community relationships.

Question: Could an example of micro-tunneling be shared? Particularly in areas that are close to schools, daycares, hospitals, other residential areas.

Answer:

- Yes, Metrolinx will share examples of these at the next CLC.

Question: Can a red line of the Health & Safety Plan be provided for the changes that were made between the draft version of the HASP and the final (1.0) version of the HASP?

Answer:

- Yes, Metrolinx will provide this.

Question: Could a site tour be conducted with CLC members when major new phases of the work starts (e.g. the sewer relocation work)?



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Answer:

- Yes, Metrolinx will arrange this.

Question: For the Pape tunnels, do you have an idea of the depth of the tunnels?

Answer:

The Pape Tunneling contractor will need to speak to greater detail on this topic. Metrolinx can arrange for the Pape Tunneling contractor to speak to the tunnel work with the CLC when appropriate.

Action Items:

- Metrolinx will have a discussion with a community member regarding the calculation of noise reductions and concern that it doesn't account for shortened length of school day.
- Metrolinx will share a "spec sheet" with the specifics of the long-term barrier with CLC.
- Metrolinx will share approximate timelines for sanitary work on Pape, after discussions with contractor (which begin in summer 2024)
- Metrolinx will introduce the new security firm to the community through an on-site visit.
- Metrolinx will organize an on-site meeting between new contractors and CLC.
- Metrolinx will provide examples of micro-tunnelling beneath a school or similarly facility.
- Metrolinx will share a tracked changes version of the H&S plan.
- Metrolinx will share alignment and depth of tunnel with a community member after getting an update from the Pape tunnel team (estimated timeframe: one week).
- Traffic plan for vehicles on Pape/Riverdale to be further explained amid safety concerns.
- Actual dba the wall mitigates, actual dba in the playground at Pape entry (where the daycare plays, where the play structure is, etc) what the actual dba with windows open, etc

All action items to be addressed and shared with CLC no later than February 23, 2024.

Next CLC meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2024.