

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
October 8, 2002

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY: 
Frank Beazley, Deputy Chief of Police

DATE: September 30, 2002

SUBJECT: School Street Traffic Situation

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

At the September 24, 2002, Council Meeting, Councillor Cunningham requested Police assessment of the situation of vehicle traffic on School Street as a result of changes to the realignment of Nantucket Avenue.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

As a result of residents' traffic concerns relating to changes to Nantucket Avenue and how it is affecting School Street, the Halifax Regional Police began extra checks on July 3, 2002. Members were asked to keep in mind driving violations in relation to vehicles turning left off School Street onto Slayter Street, Monday to Friday 4pm to 6pm. As a result of these initial checks, it was determined that a large number of vehicles were in violation.

Over the 2 1/2 month period, members attended Slayter Street 15 times. During this time, 36 tickets were issued for vehicles failing to obey traffic signs. Although violations have decreased slightly, this area continues to be a problem.

It is recommended that signage be improved at the intersection of Nantucket Avenue and Victoria Road stating "No Left Turn, Monday to Friday, 4pm to 6pm from School Street onto Slayter Street".

The Halifax Regional Police will continue to show a high visibility in the area to discourage drivers from violating the posted traffic signs.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS


There are no budget implications.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating Reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

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