TRAFALGAR CHARTWELL RESIDENTS' ASSOCATION

Advocating for our Community



Greetings from the President

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Dear Neighbours,

Greetings to all our Members, Residents, and Neighbours. This is my second annual newsletter as TCRA President. The past year has been an extremely busy one for TCRA. Despite the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, we have been actively attending and delegating at Town of Oakville Council meetings, public information sessions for proposed new developments and engaging with our elected Representatives and sister Residents' Associations. A comprehensive list of all our current neighbourhood issues can be found on our website: www.tcra.ca

TCRA has said farewell to several Directors in the past year. I would like to sincerely thank them for their service over the many years they have dedicated to making our neighbourhood the best place to live in Oakville. We have welcomed two new directors who have taken on the portfolios of Community Relations and Development, and we are now advertising for an Assistant Secretary. Click here for a list of current Directors and here for the open Director position.

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I was very impressed with the passion, enthusiasm and professionalism shown by our neighbours who live close to the proposed 435 Reynolds St redevelopment. A total of 56 people attended the public information meeting on April 2021. The owners and developers were taken aback by the unanimous and vocal opposition to their project. Plans are yet to be submitted to the Town for approval. TCRA is committed to supporting our neighbours with regard to developments such as this one.

We are also supporting our neighbours who live close to the old Medical Arts building located at <u>358 Reynolds St</u>. The redevelopment application will be heard by the OLT (formerly OMB/LPAT) in early 2022. TCRA is a Participant in the proceedings. Despite the feedback given to the developers at the public information session in September 2020, and their promise to consider the feedback, nothing has been forthcoming. TCRA participated in the Case Management Conference in August and a copy of our letter can be found here.

Transformation of the northeast corner of the former downtown hospital lands is set to begin. The town has reached a deal to sell a two-hectare parcel of the former <u>Oakville Trafalgar hospital lands</u> to a developer interested in building 35 homes on the land. Based on a 2017 town-approved master plan for the site, the developer will build 19 detached houses along the Macdonald Road and Allan Street frontages, plus an interior road and 16 townhouses toward the middle of the property. Town council voted in favour of the sale at its meeting on Nov. 15.

The <u>Midtown development</u> is gaining momentum with several public information sessions held recently. "Densification" is the buzzword on everyone's lips and developers are in the process of submitting plans to the Town for approval. TCRA has a Director dedicated to the Midtown portfolio and we attend all relevant meetings.

I would like to thank the TCRA Directors for their dedication and commitment. We spend several hours each week on zoom calls so we can stay abreast of both neighbourhood and Oakville-wide issues such as the <u>multi-use path</u> being constructed along Lakeshore Rd (east and west) and as a founding member of We Love Oakville, which was instrumental in the fight to <u>save Glen Abbey</u>. In this way we are both effective and efficient at advocating for our community.

Stay safe and well!



The Oakville Trafalgar Community Centre is a year old



The Oakville Trafalgar Community Centre officially opened to the public over a year ago. They are thrilled to be part of this neighborhood and have had the pleasure of meeting many residents over this past year. While their recreational opportunities were limited due to COVID-19 restrictions, they were excited to be able to showcase all the amazing programs and services their centre has to offer, as they transition to fully operational.

Their new registration and booking system launched in the fall, everyone is encouraged to create an account if you do not have one already. Registration for their 2022 winter program session opens at 7 a.m. on Wednesday, December 1. You will be able to browse program offerings starting November 24.

The centre and lounge areas are available to access at your convenience without pre-booking a program. They welcome you to come and explore Oakville's newest community centre.



2021 Community Event Highlights

In April, Neighbours met on a Sunday morning to help volunteer their time to help keep Oakville beautiful.

In August, local author Hannah Mary McKinnon joined an enthusiastic group via Zoom to discuss her latest novel 'You Will Remember Me'

Stay tuned for some exciting events in 2022!

Open Position on the TCRA Board

Director and Assistant to the Secretary

Are you looking to become more involved in our community? Are you curious about local issues and land developments? Then we would like to meet you! Details here



In recognition of all TCRA Members for their advocacy and participation in the community over the years, a tree has been planted at the Community Centre.

