Appendix B Public and Stakeholder Consultation Materials

Town of Rothesay Active Transportation Plan

The public is invited to attend an Open House June 20th, 2012
4:30 pm to 8:00 pm



Rothesay Town Hall Common Room

On behalf of the Town of Rothesay, **exp** is undertaking studies to identify traffic and active transportation issues and opportunities to improve the Town's transportation network.

The public is invited to attend an upcoming Open House to learn about these studies and provide input on issues, concerns and suggestions.





Rothesay Transportation Plans Open House

June 20th, 2012, Rothesay Town Hall **Comments and Questionnaire**

Thank you for attending this Open House. We would appreciate your input to the planning process for the Rothesay Transportation Plans. The project team is available to discuss your issues, concerns and suggestions. We also invite you to answer the following questions and provide any other comments and information that will assist us in developing the improvement plans and recommendations.

What are your major concerns and suggestions about traffic and active transportation in Rothesay?

rn # 1:
Suggested Improvements:
rn # 2:
Suggested Improvements:
rn # 3:
Suggested Improvements:

Please provide any additional comments that will assist us with this	
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Name (optional)	
Telephone (optional)	
Email address (optional)	_

You are welcome to leave your completed form in the drop box by the door or return it to:

Peter Allaby, P.Eng. Exp Services Inc. Ph (506) 646-8020; Fax (506) 646-8025 peter.allaby@exp.com

Please return your questionnaire by July 4th, 2012.





Topic	Concern	Suggested Improvement
ATV Trails	Lack of trails	ATV trails exist between the Wells Rec Park and the McKay Highway - could they be
	Edok of trails	upgraded
Running Trails	Lack of trails	Need more running trails
Trails	Not enough trails in our community	Develop a series of connected trails from Hampton to Saint John
Trails	Not enough trails in the Valley	Develop a series of connected trails to link communities
Trails	Not enough trails in our community	Build the trails and they will come and be active - people want safer streets
Trails	Hard to access trails and multi use paths	Develop a series of connected trails to link communities
Bike Facilities	Need bike lanes primarily, shared road awareness, connecting communities	Separate bike lanes - show that bikes belong - will improve consideration of cyclists needs
Bike Facilities	Need bike lanes on Rothesay Road	None given
Bike Facilities	Maintenance of existing bike lanes	Call out to riders to take part in trail maintenance
Bike Facilities	Need a French Village Road Bike lane	Make a bike lane
Bike Facilities	The new water road off of Grove Ave is not useable for road bikes	Pave or apply crushed limestone to the surface
Bike Facilities	More paved sides to bike lane / wider spaces and to give space to move to avoid obstacles such as potholes, sand, rocks and debris and runners who share same space.	Widen roads and better cleaning of roads such as sweeping and fix potholes
Bike Facilities	No bike lanes and roads without even a paved shoulder (eg. Millennium, Campbell Drive, etc.)	All main roads should have a paved shoulder
Bike Facilities	Busy traffic and no paved shoulder on road	Increase pavement on shoulder (Millennium, Hampton Road, route from Rothesay / Quispamsis to Saint John and Grand Bay.
Bike Facilities	Cars too close to cyclists	Follow NS- They have a bill and it is illegal for a car to go within 7 ft of a cyclist. Have a bike week - Coordinate with Quispamsis, Saint John and Grand Bay for a wellness initiative
Bike Facilities	Need improved bike lanes	Pave shoulders and have areas for bike racks and biking
Bike Facilities	Unsafe due to undesignated space on the roads	Visually designate cycling lanes with symbols and lines
Bike Facilities	MARKED Bicycle runner lanes. Need to be marked as a full lane not just symbols	DO IT!
Bike Facilities	Debris and glass collected along the sides of the road force cyclists out into traffic	Monthly (minimum) sweeping of roads
Bike Facilities	Debris on the shoulder (particularly on Old Hampton Road)	Improve sweeping of key roads
Bike Facilities	Roads need repair where bike routes are already marked, pot holes and gutters are in disrepair	None given
Bike Paths	Bike paths - routes for children to bike to school (try to understand why schools do not want kids bringing their bikes to school)	None given

Topic	Concern	Suggested Improvement
Public Awareness	Lack of education of drivers	Appropriate signage, initiatives to schools, parents, drivers education.
Public Awareness	Educate public that bikes are allowed on roads	Have a bike week, bike rodeos - TV Radio ads to educate
Public Awareness	Attitude of some people that cyclists and walkers should not be on the road	Increase public awareness through TV, radio, campaigns and signage in more areas like the painted bike on sides and share road signs - need more
Public Awareness	Make drivers more aware of bike signage	Put in provincial drivers program
Curbs and Manholes	Current curbing can be catastrophic when cyclists need to pass. Manholes are slippery when wet - more ideal on the roadway, as well slotted manholes should not run in the direction of the wheel.	None given
Curbs	Where there is no side walks it is dangerous. No escape route for cyclists. Also they create more traffic noise.	Get rid of these curbs. Allow the rain water to flow off to the sides
Curbs	Condition of curbs on French Village Road	Fill in divots and make better drainage
Running Lanes	The sidewalks in the town are sloped at each driveway. This makes walking on them difficult. Most runners run on the road instead.	In Canmore Alberta the sidewalks are flat. At each driveway they have a small ramp. They are steep and need to be entered at slow speeds but they enhance walking on what are "SIDEWALKS".
Cross Country / snowshoe trails	We need cycling trails that double as cross country, ski and snowshoe trails in the winter.	Fredericton has UNB woodlot and Killarney Lake and O'Dell Park for skiing. Moncton has Centennial Park. Why don't we groom Rockwood Park
Cross Country / snowshoe trails	Connection between French Village and Rothesay. Need separate bike/ski/walking lanes. Pavement is necessary. Space between road and trail needed as you can get sucked into the road when a truck is travelling at 100 + km.	Pave separate trail
Signage	More signage	You could have an adopt a sign program rather than using town money
Speed Limit	The speed limit in places is too fast on Monaco Drive	Should be 30 km and have speed bumps
Speed Limit	The speed limit in places is 60 km on the Rothesay Road	Should be 50 km throughout
Transit	Make bus routes more accessible to uptown Saint John from Quispamsis and Rothesay - Open up transportation for the elderly.	Provide bike racks on buses
Transit	More bus routes needed	More stops within the valley to more stops in town
Transit	More bus routes needed	A direct run to the hospital and university would make so much sense and would get a lot of use.
Dangerous Intersection	Iona Avenue onto Hampton / turning left	Lights
Dangerous Intersection	Turning lane - people using it from Iona Avenue to Greco pizza at lights	Eliminate
Dangerous Entrance	Entrance and Exit to St Hubert off Hampton Road	None given
Traffic	Traffic volume at rush hour on Rothesay Road	Get provincial gov't to put a full exit at Ashburn Lake to allow traffic travelling east onto the thruway
Streetscape	Street Scape of Old Hampton Road. It looks Rothesay Aveyuck	More regulations on signage, more flowers, lamp posts, benches, green spaces, parks near main road, street cafes.



Rothesay Active Transportation

Active Audit

Join us to Walk, Cycle, and Run routes through Rothesay. See problems, build solutions, and just have fun!

Saturday, July 7th, 2012 Meet at Rothesay Arena at 10 am Routes will take 30-40 minutes *All ages welcome!*





Part 1: Basic information

Active Transportation is any form of transportation that is human powered and includes walking, cycling, skateboarding, and other activities as well as travel by wheelchair. Designing for Active Transportation is about building choices. This Route Audit will help identify what you experienced and how we can improve active transportation infrastructure in Rothesay.

Name	:			
Date:				
Route	P Audited: ☐ Concert on the Common then Sumr ☐ Dinner and a Movie ☐ Trail Hopper ☐ The Valley Viewer	mer School		
	☐ The Commuter			
Part	3: Route Features. Comple	ete durino	your walk:	
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	id your route have sidewalks? Yes, sidewalks on both sides of the streyes, sidewalk on one side of the street Yes, but sidewalk was only present sor No sidewalks	for my whole	route	
3.2. H	ow often on your route did you see		_	
		(0 times)	(1-2 times)	<u>(3+)</u>
b. c. d. e.	No sidewalk or paved path Broken sidewalks Sidewalks or paths entirely blocked Sidewalks or path partially blocked Hill or steep incline Potholes/Dropped Catch Basins	Never Never Never Never Never	Sometimes Sometimes Sometimes Sometimes Sometimes	Often Often Often Often Often
3.3. D	id you have difficulty crossing any	of the stree	ets on your route?	
	Yes. Which streets		-	
	No			
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3.4. VV	ere any of the following features o		•	(2.1)
		(0 times)	(1-2 times)	(3+)
	Many lanes/ wide road	Never	Sometimes	Often
	Marked crosswalks	Never	Sometimes	Often
	Controllable pedestrian signals	Never	Sometimes	Often
	Automatic pedestrian signals	Never	Sometimes	Often
	Insufficient crossing time	Never	Sometimes	Often
f.	Too much traffic	Never	Sometimes	Often
·	Fast moving traffic	Never	Sometimes	Often
h.	3 3 7	Never	Sometimes	Often
i. :	Inconsiderate/dangerous drivers	Never	Sometimes	Often
j.	High curb/drop onto street	Never	Sometimes	Often



Part 8: Additional Comments

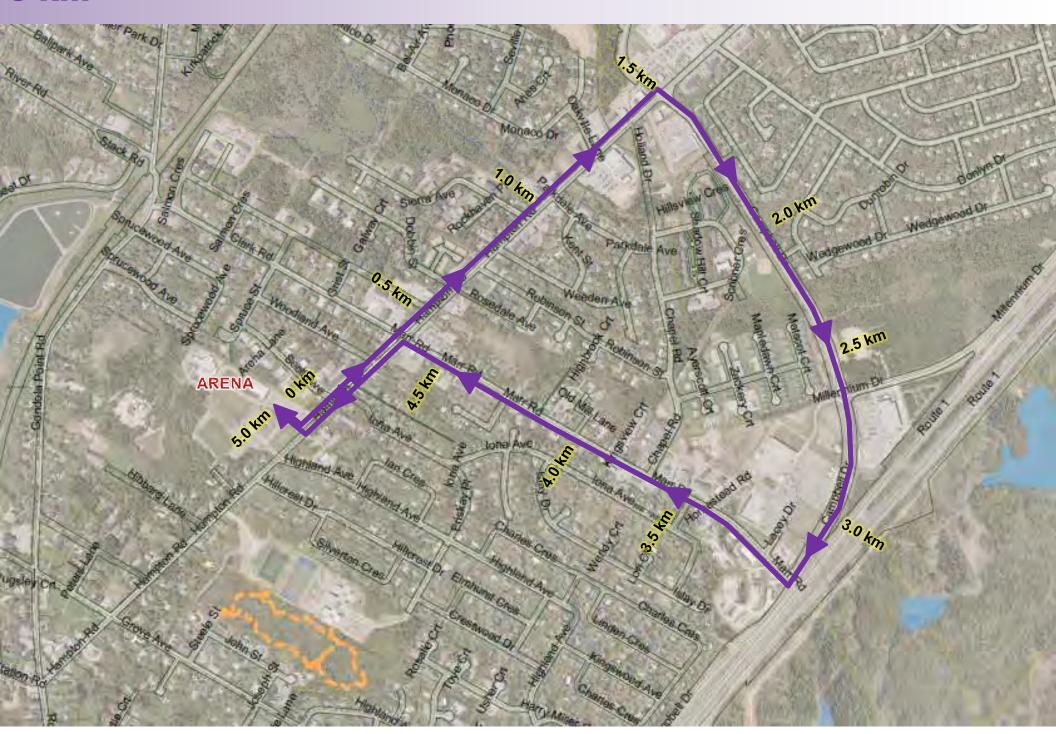
8.1. Was there anything else that made this route pleasant/enjoyable?	
8.2. Was there anything else that made this route unpleasant/intimidating?	
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8.3. Do you have ideas on how you could improve your route for Active Tra	insportation?

Please send additional comments or questions to Peter Allaby at peter.allaby@exp.com

Concert on the Common then Summer School 3 km



DINNER AND A MOVIE 5 km



Trail Hopper 7 km



The Valley Viewer 10 km



THE COMMUTER

14 km



Basic Information	Active Audit Route											
	Trail Hop	Trail Hopper Concert on the Common then Summer School			Dinner and a movie			The Valley Viewer				
3.1. Did your route have sidewalks?	yes	No	Comment	yes	No	Comment	yes	No		yes	No	Comment
a. Yes, sidewalks on both sides of the street for my whole route												
b. Yes, sidewalk on one side of the street for my whole route				1								
c. Yes, but sidewalk was only present some of the time	4		prefer roads	5			3			3		
d. No sidewalks												
3.2. How often on your walk did you see the following? Circle one in each category.	Never 0 times	Sometimes 1-2 times	Often 3 + times	Never 0 times	Sometimes 1-2 times	Often 3 + times	Never 0 times	Sometimes 1-2 times	Often 3 + times	Never 0 times	Sometimes 1-2 times	Often 3 + times
a. No sidewalk or paved path		2		1	4			3			3	
b. Broken sidewalks		4			5	1		2	1	3		
c. Sidewalks or paths entirely blocked	3	1		6			3			3		
d. Sidewalks or path partially blocked	1	3		5	1		2	1		3		
e. Hill or steep incline		3	1	2	3	1	1	1	1		3	
f. Potholes / Dropped Catch Basins	1	1	2	1	3	2		2	1		3	
3.3. Did you have difficulty crossing any of the streets on your route?	yes	No	Comment	yes	No	Comment	yes	No	Comment	yes	No	Comment
a. Yes. Which streets?	2		Hampton Road				1			2		Gondola Point Rd
b. No	2		Not rush hour		5		2					

Basic Information	Active Audit Route				te							
	Trail Hop	per		Concert on the Common then Summer School			Dinner and a movie			The Valley Viewer		
4.3. Were any of the following features on the roads you crossed?	Never 0 times		Often 3 + times			Often 3 + times	Never 0 times	Sometimes 1-2 times	Often 3 + times	Never 0 times	Sometimes 1-2 times	Often 3 + times
a. Many lanes/ wide road		2	1	1	4	1	1	1	1		3	
b. Marked crosswalks		2	2		3	3			3		3	
c. Controllable pedestrian signals	1	1	1	3	2	1		1	2		3	
d. Automatic pedestrian signals	2	2		4	2		1	2		2	1	
e. Insufficient crossing time	3			6			3			1		
f. Too much traffic	3	1		3	2	1	1	1	1		3	
g. Fast moving traffic	1	3		3	2	1	1	1	1		1	1
h. Things blocking my view of the street	2	2		4	1		2			3		1
i. Inconsiderate/dangerous drivers	2	2		4	1		1	1		3		
j. High curb/drop onto street	3	1		2	1	1	1		1	1	2	

		Active Audit Route									
Additional Survey Comments	Trail Hopper	Concert on the Common then Summer School	Dinner and a movie	The Valley Viewer	The Commuter						
Was there anything else that made this route pleasant / enjoyable?	Always enjoy running in the KV	Gradual up and down hills	IGradual un and down hills	Quiet residential area with river view and shade from trees / Scenic views							
	Didn't know about the water infrastructure path	Beautiful well kept homes	Maintained yards make for a pleasant walk	Riding with kids / good weather							
		3 places there were unmarked public right of ways which were very lovely		Pavement in good condition							
		Partly through quiet residential area and woods		Respectful drivers							
Was there anything else that made this route unpleasant / intimidating?	Sidewalk by RES terrible! Entrance to path is rough and not marked at all	Too much traffic	LLOO MUCH TRATTIC		Curbs / side of road terrible for cyslist and dangerous						
	Fast moving traffic on Grove& Hampton	Potholes	Potholes	INO crosswalks	No biking route indicated on the pavement						
	Work going on with catch basin on Grove			Steady traffic on Hampton Rd& Gondola Point Rd	Road not always sweeped						
					Some roads don't have paved shoulders for cyclists						
					Grate over catch basin are broken - often holes around						
				Lack of separate bike lanes	Cyclists not given same courtesy as cars at intersections						

			Active Audit Route		
Additional Survey Comments	Trail Hopper	Concert on the Common then Summer School	Dinner and a movie	The Valley Viewer	The Commuter
Improve vour route for Active	Is there a way to link path to traills at RNS? Extend to allow long distance run.		Replace sidewalks with asphalt lanes / easier to use for bikers/ walkers/ runners	Separate bike lanes	Biking - Need dedicated bike paths - Must make it easier for everone to use bikes - NB for healthly living / obesity
	More trail linkages / prefer biking on trials than roads	Some sidewalks right next to narrow road	More awareness in the community	More bike signage	Need Quispamsis and Rothesay into Saint John to have connected bike paths - should be able to go anywhere on a bike
	ISmaller gravel on the nineline route /	Need to cross Gondola Point Rd twice at crosswalds, no sidewald on NE side across from our lady of Perpetual Help	More space for walking & biking on major roads		Need dedicated bike trails / good for tourism / we go elsewhere to bike
	1	Broken pavement edge on Gondola Point Rd - bad for biking		Put bike lanes on roads where possible	
	More defined path between the single track trails and the soccer pitch	Mark the trail off sprucewood avenue		Rothesay Rd needs more space between the sidewalk & the road	
		Mark trail connector			
		Map should distinguish trails vs sidewalks			
		Trails should be marked with rating of difficulty			
		Trails must always have loops			
		Maybe have benches at KM markers			

Post Audit Discussion

General Observations

Campbell Drive - No Room for bikes or pedestrians

Marr Road - Manhole in sidewalk - connection / cross walk to strip mall

Pedestrian crossing signals at traffic lights must be activated (difficult for bikers)

No bike racks at arena, Superstore, Empire Theatre, etc.

Concert on the Common then Summer School

Shortcut between the trails and Spruce drive - improve trail and signage to identify that it is there

Should have a diagonal cross walk by the church on Gondola Point Rd

Advantage of this route is that part of it has a grass median between sidewalk and traffic

Sidewalk has dips. Bad for runners

Gondola Point Rd needs maintenance - bad for bikers

Sidewalks not good for runners / bikers

Drainage on the side of the roads cause bikers to have to swerve into the street

Curb and gutter system dangerous

France has a paved section separated by trees instead of sidewalks

Dinner and a movie

Sometimes during the winter the sidewalks can be hazardous, slippery

No sidewalks up Campbell Drive - a bit of a grade but passable

No bike racks at the Campbell Drive area retail

Marr Rd dangerous manhole cover on the sidewalks for cyclists

No automatic light crossing signals

Had to wait for cars to go through activated stop lights

Curb drops on the north side of Campbell Drive where there are no drive ways

Hampton Rd - narrow the center turn lane to make room for bicycles

Strip Mall on Marr Rd has no sidewalks or crosswalks

Rothesay Road past the golf course - sidewalks change from right to left to right to no sidewalks / provincial roads

Trail Hopper

Good opportunity for a trail along the waterline access road

Trail by the elementary school (Steele Kennedy) could use better signage

Grove Avenue needs maintenance to raise the tree canopy

The Valley Viewer

Anywhere along Gondola Pt & Rothesay Rd is heavy traffic - needs better and more bike lanes

Rothesay Rd should have speed reduced to 50 km

Residential streets are quiet and comfortable but Gondola Pt & Rothesay Rd are dangerous

Defined lines indicating bike lanes

Share road symbols need to be lengthened

The train bridge passage way is extremely narrow

The Commuter

At the biggest turn the line is not in the center and cars will move towards the shoulders

Rocks and debris hard on bike tires - need better street sweeping

Identify and map walking trails and cycling routes on the town website

There was work done on walking trails about 20 years ago - was a plan done in 2000 - looks at trails near riverfront / rail

Garbage is an issue around schools - involve schools in a clean up program - they do in spring

They used to have a running track behind the school which was well used - should re-establish one

Sidewalks take up a lot of room that could be used for bike lanes

Important to be able to move about the community functionally via active transportation

Should have designated sliding area for kids

Town should purchase Spy Glass Hill for trails

Rothesay AT Plan Student Audit Materials



Introduction

Active Transportation is any form of transportation that is human powered and includes walking, cycling, skateboarding, and other activities as well as travel by wheelchair. Designing for Active Transportation is about building choices. Accommodating walking and cycling, and other modes of transportation can have many benefits:

√ reduced traffic congestion
 √ increased mobility for non-drivers

√ reduced parking demand
 √ sustainable urban development

Through your daily physical activities such as walking to school, walking to lunch, or walking to a friend's house, you are very familiar with the barriers to active transportation and elements in the design of infrastructure, roads, sidewalks, and street crossings. This Route Audit will help identify what you experience on a daily basis and how we can improve active transportation in Rothesay.

When completing the Route Audit make sure to obey all the rules of the road and BE SAFE!

Part 1: Basic information. Complete before doing the Audit

1.1.	Name:		
	Date:		
1.3.	How do you normally get to	school?	
	☐ Walk	☐ Bus	
	■ Bicycle	□ Drive	
	☐ Skateboard	☐ Other:	
1.4.	How do you normally get to	after school act	civities?
	☐ Walk	☐ Bus	
	■ Bicycle	□ Drive	
	☐ Skateboard	☐ Other:	
1.5.	If you did not select the acti	ve modes above	e, what are the reasons? Check any that apply:
	☐ Distance is too far	☐ La	ck of a direct route
	■ Lack of good facilities	☐ Sa	fety concerns
	☐ Too many hills		ot convenient/personal choice
	☐ Other:		
1.6.	What features or facilities m	ight make you	choose to walk or bicycle more often?
	■ More sidewalks		☐ More direct/shorter routes
	☐ Bike Lanes		☐ Better crossings at streets/intersections
	☐ Less traffic and slower t	raffic speeds	☐ Streets with more greenery, trees, etc.
	☐ Other:		



Part 2: Route Audit Description

2.1.	Route de	escription (If Multiple Stops	Please Li	st Each):							
	a. Route Beginning (Origin):										
	b. Intermediate Stops:										
		e End (Destination):									
		,									
2.2.	List the s	treet segments you include	d in your	route:							
Segr	ment #	Street Name		From	То						
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2											
3											
4											
5											
		CHED MAP PLEASE HIGHLIG	HT YOUR								
2.3.	Estimate	Total Distance:		kilometres							
2.4.	Estimate	d Total Walking time:		minutes							
2.5. Time of day:				am / pm							
2.6.	cloud rainy	r: y: □Yes □No ly: □Yes □No : □Yes □No									
2.7.	Did you	walk this route alone?	□Yes	□No							



Part 3: Route Features. Complete during your walk:

3.1. Did your route have sidewalks?	
☐ Yes, sidewalks on both sides of	f the street for my whole route
☐ Yes, sidewalk on one side of t	ne street for my whole route
☐ Yes, but sidewalk was only pro	esent some of the time
☐ No sidewalks	
3.2. Did your route include any off-route	ad paths or trails?
□ No	

3.3. How often on your walk did you see the following? Circle one in each category.

		(0 times)	(1-2 times)	(3+)
a.	No sidewalk or paved path	Never	Sometimes	Often
b.	Broken sidewalks	Never	Sometimes	Often
c.	Sidewalks or paths entirely blocked	Never	Sometimes	Often
d.	Sidewalks or path partially blocked	Never	Sometimes	Often
e.	Hill or steep incline	Never	Sometimes	Often
f.	Construction/road works	Never	Sometimes	Often
g.	Stairs	Never	Sometimes	Often

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Part 4: Traffic Safety. Complete during your walk:

4.1. How many times did you have to cross a street along the route?

		0 1	2 3	4	5+	
2 Did	you have difficulty o	rossing any of t	ne streets on vo	ur route?		
.z. Diu	you have unnearly e	ary or the	ic streets on ye	ui ioute:		
	Yes. Which streets?					
	No					
.3. We	re any of the followi	ng features on t	he roads you cr	ossed?		
			(0 times) (1-	2 times)	(3+)
a.	Marked crosswalks		Never	Sor	metimes	Ofter
b.	Controllable pedestri	ian signals	Never	Sor	metimes	Ofter
c.	Automatic pedestriar	n signals	Never	Sor	metimes	Ofter
d.	Many lanes/ wide roa	ad	Never	Sor	metimes	Ofter
e.	Insufficient crossing t	time	Never	Sor	metimes	Ofter
f.	Too much traffic		Never	Sor	metimes	Ofter
g.	Fast moving traffic		Never	Sor	metimes	Ofter
h.	Things blocking my vi	iew of the street	Never	Sor	metimes	Ofter
:	Inconsiderate/dange	rous drivers	Never	Sor	metimes	Ofter
i.						

Part 5: Route Amenities and Attractive Features. Complete during your walk:

5.1. Were any of the following present along the route? Circle one in each category.

		(0 times)	(1-2 times)	(3+)
a.	Sheltered area	Never	Sometimes	Often
b.	Public restrooms	Never	Sometimes	Often
c.	Drinking fountain	Never	Sometimes	Often
d.	Public transport stop/station	Never	Sometimes	Often
e.	Benches	Never	Sometimes	Often

5.2. Were any of the following present along the route?

	(0 times)	(1-2 times)	<u>(3+)</u>
a. Nice Homes or Buildings	Never	Sometimes	Often
b. Trees	Never	Sometimes	Often
c. Nice gardens/green areas	Never	Sometimes	Often
d. Nice shop fronts	Never	Sometimes	Often
e. Water features	Never	Sometimes	Often
f. Public Artwork/sculptures/murals	Never	Sometimes	Often
g. Traffic noise/pollution	Never	Sometimes	Often
h. Shade	Never	Sometimes	Often



Part 6: Personal Safety. Complete during your walk:

6.1. How often did you see:

		(0 times)	(1-2 times)	(3+ <u>)</u>
a.	Neighbourhood watch signs	Never	Sometimes	Often
b.	Street lamps	Never	Sometimes	Often
c.	Scary/unfriendly people	Never	Sometimes	Often
d.	Other people my age walking	Never	Sometimes	Often
e.	Other people (not my age) walking	Never	Sometimes	Often
f.	Litter/graffiti	Never	Sometimes	Often
g.	Scary/unfriendly dogs	Never	Sometimes	Often

6.2.	How	safe	did	vou	feel	on	this	route?
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Ш	very safe
	Safe
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Part 7: Route Destinations. Complete during your walk:

7.1. Did you see any of the following along your route? (mark those that apply)

Passed I	assed By:		d/Visited
	Park	□Yes	□No
	Recreation facility	□Yes	□No
	Shops	□Yes	□No
	Restaurants	□Yes	□No
	Service (medical, library, postal)	□Yes	□No
	Church	□Yes	□No
	Workplace	□Yes	□No
	Friend's house	□Yes	□No
	Other?:	□Yes	□No



Part 8: Additional Comments

8.1.	Was there anything else that made this walk pleasant/enjoyable?	
8.2.	Was there anything else that made this walk unpleasant/boring?	
8.3.	Do you have ideas on how you could improve your route for Active Transportat	ion





