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Hi Jen! Hope this finds you well. Emily Jones here :)

I am unsure who to contact regarding this issue so if you could direct me that would be great. I know the busing issue is not to do with the municipality, I have contacted the bus company. However, I feel as though it's an issue to raise as the bus company is not making any changes. In our Stonehaven neighbourhood, the students attending Elgin Market have now been deemed safe to walk, whereas they have been given a bus there for all the years prior. Here are my main concerns:

1) Bruce avenue is by no means a safe walk. There is not even a complete sidewalk that is taken to our entire length of our neighbourhood and all the exit routes from our neighbourhood.

2) The sidewalk that we eventually have from our neighbourhood on Bruce avenue (again, which does not extend to the entirety of our neighborhood) is on the southbound side meaning they would have to cross Bruce Avenue TWO times to be able to get over to Elgin Market. This is a HUGE concern as drivers fly down this road, it is very busy especially during these hours, and especially the crossing which would take place at either Bruce avenue and princess street OR Bruce avenue and queen street whichever they would choose is an AWFUL blind intersection and very unsafe.

3) If the trail path that connects our neighbourhood to Kincardine avenue to head up to Elgin Market that is now considered the safe route - that is an issue as well for two different reasons:

- 1) there is zero winter maintenance on this trail of which is all hills on either side

-2) Kincardine avenue only has a northbound sidewalk to get to Elgin Market so again they would have to cross a dangerous and very busy road twice to be able to get to the school yard

Since the bus company is deeiming this safe for these young kids, improvements NEED to be made with proper crossing lights at these areas, and proper safe sidewalks and sidewalk extension along Bruce Ave .

Thanks for your time!

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