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Windsor, Ontario May 10, 2011

A meeting of the **Windsor Bicycling Committee** is held this day commencing at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in Room 402, 400 City Hall Square East, there being present the following members:

Mark Lindquist, Chair
Councillor Alan Halberstadt
Tristan Fehrenbach
Kari Gignac
Eric Renaud

Regrets received from:

Jim Boufford
Dr. Christopher Waters
Charles Griffiths

Also present are the following resource personnel:

Jen Leitzinger, Transportation Planning Engineer
Cathy Copot-Nepszy, Windsor-Essex County Health Unit (arrives at 6:07 o'clock p.m.)
Staff Sergeant Steve Bodri, Windsor Police Services (arrives at 6:16 o'clock p.m.)
Susan Vadori, Committee Coordinator (A)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 6:05 o'clock p.m. and the Committee considers the Agenda being Schedule "A" **attached** hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

That Rule 3.3 (a) of the *Procedure By-law, 420-2001 as amended* be waived to add the following Agenda item:

Moved by T. Fehrenbach seconded by K. Gignac,

That an update **BE PROVIDED** regarding items

Item 5.9 - Bike to Work;

Item 5.10 - Windsor Police Sergeant S. Bodri - 2011 Police Week events at Devonshire Mall;

*Item 5.11 - Bike to Bridge **BE PRESENTED.***

Carried

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

Moved by K. Gignac, seconded by C. Waters

That the minutes of the Windsor Bicycling Committee held on March 8, 2011 **BE ADOPTED** as amended to include the correct date in Section 2 and 5.7 for the Ride of Silence Event as May 18, 2011.

Carried.

4. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT**

None declared.

5. **BUSINESS ITEMS**

5.1 **April 19, 2011 discussion notes- Verbal update by Chairperson M. Lindquist**

Chairperson M. Lindquist updates the Committee and distributes notes from a discussion held on April 19, 2011 between K. Gignac, C. Waters, T. Fehrenbach, A. Halberstadt and M. Lindquist held at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in Room 407-400 CHSE, **attached** as Appendix "A". The Chair notes that the discussion was held due to lack of quorum at the regularly scheduled Windsor Bicycling Committee meeting of April 12, 2011.

5.4 **Update- Increasing the amount of bike lanes in priority locations and the amount of connecting bike lanes/paths for users**

Moved by K. Gignac, seconded by C. Waters

That the Windsor Bicycling Committee recommends that bicycle lanes and bike parking post and rings **BE INCLUDED** in each of the following two Public Works projects, Wyandotte Street West (Sunset to Campbell streets) and Wyandotte Street East Beautification Project.

Carried

Moved by C. Waters, seconded by Councillor A. Halberstadt

That bicycle amenities **BE INCLUDED** in the Ottawa Street rehabilitation project including and not limited to the application or installation of post and rings, bike parking, and share road signs including the outlining of sharrow lanes.

Carried

M. Lindquist updates the Committee regarding B.U.M.P. and the cost associated with the implementation of the report recommendations. J. Leitzinger notes that the report is in process and will provide information and the update when available.

It is generally agreed that M. Palanacki be invited to a future Windsor Bicycling Committee meeting to discuss the Technical Committee and other forecasted projects.

5.9 Bike To Work

K. Gignac updates the Committee regarding the Bike To Work event scheduled for Monday June 6, 2011 venue at the Charles Clark Square from 6:00 o'clock a.m. to 10 o'clock a.m.

K. Gignac notes the following plans for the event will include:

- Advertising around the City;
- Advertising on web links of Windsor Bike Committee and City of Windsor;
- The idea of a promotional/educational bike awareness draw is discussed, information cards will be offered to event attendees, attendee would asked to fill out the card provided and the cards will be maintained during the month of June and consolidated for the draw date on July 2, 2011 at the Downtown Windsor Farmers Market at 10:00 o'clock a.m. grand prize draw for a \$300 gift certificate obtained from a local bike shop is being planned for recognizing a person who attended the June/July bicycle events.

Moved by K. Gignac, seconded by C. Waters

That a gift certificate in the upset limit of \$300 be obtained from a local bike shop to **BE AWARDED** to the grand prize winner of the promotional draw to **BE DRAWN** on July 2, 2011 at the Downtown Windsor Farmers Market at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

Carried

Moved by K. Gignac, seconded by T. Fehrenbach

That the following list of expenditures in the amount of \$1750.00 **BE APPROVED:**

Bike to Work Event – scheduled for June 6, 2011 at Charles Clark Square from 6 o'clock a.m. to 10 o'clock a.m.:

- \$ 700 – includes food and beverage and \$300 gift certificate;
- \$ 50 - includes advertising cost (photo copying charges for etc.);
- \$ 1,000 - includes promotional items (bicycle bells and lights).

Carried

5.10 2011 Police Week events at Devonshire Mall Verbal Update by Windsor Police Sergeant S. Bodri;

Staff Sergeant S. Bodri, Windsor Police Services updates the Committee regarding the approach of the yearly celebrated Police Week and Windsor Police Services is looking for volunteers during the week of May 15-23, 2011 at Devonshire Mall.

Thursday May 19, 2011 to Saturday May 21, 2011 which are the busiest days, attached as Appendix "B".

5.8 Update – Windsor Police Services - Bicycle Enforcement Blitz

Staff Sergeant S. Bodri, Windsor Police Services reminds the Committee that a "Bike Blitz Day" has not been scheduled yet and the timeline could be discussed at a upcoming meeting.

Now that better bicycle riding weather is upon listen for the media releases for the Windsor area and the "Kids out of school –share the road" media release. A possible idea, is to target and reward people during a one week time frame by watching for cyclists discovered properly using bicycle equipment and properly executing the rules of the road.

A joint media release/press conference with the Windsor Police Services and Windsor Bicycle Committee (to attend in a support capacity only) may be organized by Staff Sergeant Bodri and he will update regarding the dates of the event.

J. Leitzinger leaves meeting at 7:22 o'clock p.m.

J. Leitzinger returns to meeting at 7:25 o'clock p.m.

Staff Sergeant S. Bodri leaves meeting at 7:27 o'clock p.m.

5.2 Update – Bylaws for Cycling

No update available.

5.5 Update – Increasing Bike Parking

No update available.

5.6 Update – Education

No Education update is available.

5.7 Update – Technical Committee

J. Leitzinger updates the Committee regarding various items, including Lake Erie Cycling Touring Routes, attached as Appendix "C":

- i. CAA brochures – Watch for Bikes Campaign, attached as Appendix "D";
- ii. Driver Awareness and Knowledge of Safely Sharing the Road with Cyclists, attached as Appendix "E".

J. Leitzinger notes that construction projects are planned at Ojibway and Broadway to Weaver streets and the impact on the bike lanes and bike lanes on Howard and Ypres are now marked as multi-use trail and shared signs use.

Trail connections for Howard Avenue, South Talbot and Cousineau roads are a future possibility with alignment to roads/trails in abutting municipalities, attached as Appendix "F".

5.3 Update – Policy that mandates the accommodation of cyclists on all road projects

Moved by T. Fehrenbach, seconded by K. Gignac,

That the Bike Lanes previously designated for inclusion on Erie Street according to B.U.M.P. **BE RELOCATED** and **BE INSTALLED** on Giles Street East, easterly between Ouellette Avenue and Lincoln Road and westerly between Ouellette Avenue and Janette Boulevard.

Carried

5.11 Bike to Bridge Event

The Bike to Bridge event is scheduled for June 12, 2011. Interested Canadian cyclists may travel to the Detroit Michigan. After a complimentary breakfast, Transit Windsor will return Canadian cyclists participating in the international event waiting at a pre-designated location.

Moved by C. Waters, seconded by K. Gignac

That an upset limit of \$600 **BE ALLOWED** for costs associated with the Bike to Bridge promotion and transportation of Canadian cyclist participating in the International event scheduled for June 12, 2011.

Carried

6.0 Financial

6.1 Financial Summary Variance Report for the Period Ending April 30, 2011

The Committee generally discusses the Financial Summary Variance Report for the period ending April 30, 2011.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on June 7, 2011 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in Room 402, 400 City Hall Square East.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 7:58 o'clock p.m.

CHAIR

COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

Vadori, Susan

From: Mark Lindquist [lindqum@hotmail.com]
Sent: May 1, 2011 8:44 PM
To: Vadori, Susan
Subject: discussion meeting (April 19,2011)

Hey Susan,

Here is what we discussed at our meeting (in attendance:Kari, Chris, Tristen, Alan, Mark)

We want to make a recommendation at our next meeting to ensure bike lanes are included in the 2 upcoming projects.

- Wyandotte st. west project (Sunset to Campbell)
- Wyandotte st. east beautification project.

We had a discussion on having shared usage signs on Ottawa street.

We discussed whether or not we need an update to bump. we agreed that at the next meetingthat we will ask for either an update or reassessment to bump.

We want to invite Mike Palanecki to an upcoming meeting.

Weneed to find out if we can make more than one recommendation at a city council meeting (ask Steve Vlakadimos)

We discussed where we will hold bike to work day. Same spot as last year. SWee if we can get bagels from Tim Hortons or Starbucks.

END OF MEETING

Susan how much time do you think you will need for our next meeting?

Mark

Vadori, Susan

From: Halberstadt, Alan
Sent: May 9, 2011 5:39 PM
To: Vadori, Susan; 'Bodri, Steve'; 'Boufford, Jim'; 'Copot-Nepszy, Cathy'; Eugeni, Josette; 'Fehrenbach, Tristan'; 'Gignac, Kari'; 'Griffiths, Charles'; Jaworski, Dan; Leitzinger, Jennifer; 'Lindquist, Mark'; 'Littlejohns, Frederick'; 'Lukic, Karen'; 'Trojand, Margaret'; 'Turpin, Jason'; 'Waters, Christopher'
Subject: RE: Police Week Assistance request from WBC members

the WBC agenda tomorrow night. Thanks Alan

From: Vadori, Susan
Sent: May 6, 2011 2:25 PM
To: Bodri, Steve; Boufford, Jim; Copot-Nepszy, Cathy; Eugeni, Josette; Fehrenbach, Tristan; Gignac, Kari; Griffiths, Charles; Halberstadt, Alan; Jaworski, Dan; Leitzinger, Jennifer; Lindquist, Mark; Littlejohns, Frederick; Lukic, Karen; Trojand, Margaret; Turpin, Jason; Vadori, Susan; Waters, Christopher
Subject: Police Week Assistance request from WBC members

Sent on behalf of Staff Sergeant Steve Bodri:

I am looking for someone from the Bicycle Committee to join us during the Police Week display we are having at the mall. Could you please disseminate this email to the members.

I would also like to get some pamphlets etc from Transportation Planning (Jennifer) regarding anything you have regarding safe cycling maybe a map of the bike trails we could put on an easel etc.

The event starts on Thursday and Friday at 0930 a.m. till 9:30 p.m. and Saturday 9:30 a.m. till 6:00 p.m.

I have arranged for a table to be available for them so the Bike Committee can put out their pamphlets advertising etc. if they want to show off a bike that would be fine or give away items that would be fine as well. They may want to show off Bike helmets and demonstrate how they should fit etc.

I am arranging to have an e-bike present there as well and the message will be safe biking, staying off sidewalks, rules of the road.

The display will be part of a larger Traffic Display, with our Collision Reconstruction Truck a Harley Davidson Enforcement Motorcycle, an ATV. I am also inviting MADD to be part of this total display. The display will be set up inside out front of the Bay entrance.

I am attending the meeting next week, so I would like some response as soon as possible and I will discuss the event more then.

During the meeting I will also discuss my plans in June for an enforcement blitz and the possibility of a bike give away to a kid who is spotted complying with the rules of the road.

Staff Sergeant Steve Bodri

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Traffic Enforcement Unit
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Vadori, Susan

From: Leitzinger, Jennifer
Sent: May 13, 2011 4:00 PM
To: Vadori, Susan
Subject: WBC - May Meeting
Attachments: CAA - Watch for Bikes Campaign.pdf; Watch for Bikes - CAA Sticker.pdf

Hi Susan,

As requested I am sending you the information that I discussed at the meeting.

5.2 Update – Bylaws for Cycling

Awaiting response from Legal Department

5.3 Update – Policy that mandates the accommodation of cyclists on all road projects

Need to ensure that all relevant information is included, therefore policy has not yet gone to Council.

5.7 Update – Technical Committee

1. CAA – Watch for Bikes Campaign

- See attached file for campaign info and “Watch for Bikes” sticker brochure
- Requested additional stickers to promote the campaign

2. Driver Awareness and Knowledge of Safely Sharing the Road with Cyclists

- City of Windsor and the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit have agreed to partner for this initiative
- Teleconference scheduled for May 31

Three Distinct Components:

Part A - To increase the driver education component of safely sharing the road with cyclists through increasing the cycling information in the Official MTO Driver’s Handbook.

Part B - To create policy that driver education companies must include sharing the road with cyclists education into their teaching.

Part C – To increase knowledge of current motorists on sharing the roads and the rights and responsibilities of cyclists. There is more than one type of road user. Through these policy changes, road users are going to become more aware of sharing the road.

Key Stakeholders:

- Public Health Units
- Ministry of Transportation
- Road Safety Marketing Office
- Driver Program Office and Drivers’ Evaluation Office
- Representatives from driver training programs

May also involve:

- Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving (OSAID)
- Share the Road Cyclist Coalition
- Ontario Cycling Association (CAN-BIKE)
- Youth such as REACT

APPENDIX “C”

3. Lake Erie Cycling Route

The Waterfront Trail and Greenway (<http://waterfronttrail.org/>) currently exists along the shores of the St. Lawrence River and Lake Ontario from the Quebec border to Niagara-on-the-Lake.

As per Justin Lafontaine, Project Lead, Lake Erie Cycling Route, the Waterfront Regeneration Trust's goal is to establish and coordinate a partnership of municipalities to create a signed cycling route along the north shore of Lake Erie from Fort Erie to Windsor. This route would connect to the 720 km Lake Ontario Waterfront Trail, which connects 41 communities along the north shore of Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River, and connects to Quebec's La Route verte. The success of the Waterfront Trail depends on the active involvement of all 41 communities connected by it and this partnership relies on the coordination of the Waterfront Regeneration Trust, a registered charity.

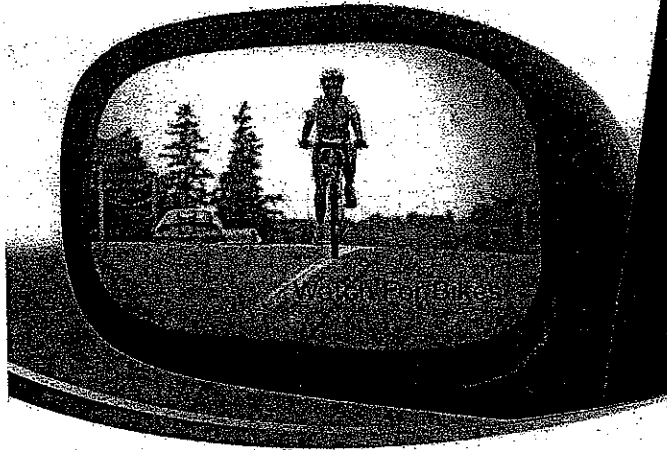
In 2008 the Trust launched the Great Waterfront Trail Adventure (GWTA)—an 8-day supported recreational bike ride along the entire trail. The event has been very successful in promoting the waterfront communities and Ontario's cycling opportunities in Canada and abroad. The fourth GWTA is scheduled for July 2 to 9th, 2011.

Lake Erie Partners meeting is scheduled on May 18 in St. Thomas.

Thanks,

Jennifer

Watch for Bikes



CAA is promoting safety between vehicles and bicycles

When you are driving

Remember to check carefully for cyclists approaching from behind before opening your vehicle door. The fine for opening a door into a cyclist's path is \$110 and two demerit points.

When you are cycling

As a general rule, ride about one metre (three feet) away from the curb or parked vehicles in an urban environment. This makes it easier to avoid potholes, debris, vehicle doors and makes you more visible to the people around you. Always wear appropriate safety gear and ride with traffic.



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Peel off and apply to your vehicle driver's side mirror.

Watch For Bikes

APPENDIX "D"

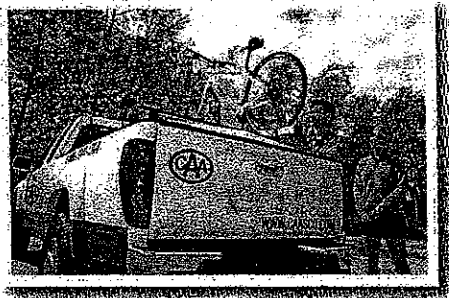
Drive • Cycle

When you make good decisions while you are driving or cycling, you will keep yourself and everyone else around you safe, too.

Here's how:

- Take a CAN-BIKE (www.toronto.ca/cycling/canbike) or driver's education course (www.caasco.com/automotive) and upgrade your skills.
- Stay alert when you drive or cycle.
- Slow down and leave yourself enough space when you drive or cycle to give you and others time to react.
- Know the rules of the road.

Also, think about the environment and use your bicycle for short trips.



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CAA's Watch for Bikes program reminds all motorists to Watch for Bikes when opening their door.

When you are driving - remember to check carefully for cyclists approaching from behind before opening a door. Every time you open your vehicle door without checking for cyclists and other traffic there is a potential for a serious collision to occur. The fine for opening a vehicle door in a cyclist's path is a \$110 fine and two demerit points.

Drivers or passengers opening their car door in the path of cyclists contribute to one of the most frequent car-bike collisions, many of which result in serious injury to cyclists. All of these collisions (and near misses) can be avoided.

You can get Watch for Bikes stickers at [CAA stores](#). The sticker is to be placed on your driver side mirror as a reminder to check your mirror for cyclists and other traffic.



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CAA is promoting safety between vehicles and bicycles. When you make good decisions while you are driving or cycling, you will keep yourself and everyone else around you safe. Follow the tips below to help make the roads safer for everyone:

- Always be on the lookout for and yield to cyclists and pedestrians, even if they don't have the right-of-way.
- Always obey traffic signals and traffic control signs.
- Be prepared for cyclists and pedestrians to appear unexpectedly at both intersection and non-intersection locations, on both urban and rural roadways.
- Bicycles are vehicles and cyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as other road users.
- Cyclists are expected to ride on the right, but they are allowed to use any part of a lane if their safety warrants it, for example, to avoid a pothole, or to avoid being hit by an opening car door.
- Generally, cyclists need a metre on either side of them as a safety zone. Do not pass too close. If the lane is too narrow to share, change lanes to pass.
- Check your blind spot before opening a car door. A cyclist could be there.
- When turning right, check the curb to ensure you do not cut off a cyclist.
- Obey all the traffic rules, including speed limits, especially in places where children might be, such as neighbourhoods, parks, schools, and playgrounds. Give yourself and a cyclist the chance to avoid a collision.
- Remember, children are small and hard to see. Be a safety partner.

(Source: MTO)



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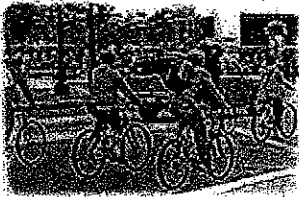
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- Ride in a straight line on the right hand side of the road in the same direction as traffic - usually one half to one metre from the curb or from parked cars.
- Stop at the edge of the road, stop at red lights and stop signs. Look to see if the road is clear. Look all ways.
- Always look over your shoulder behind you before you turn or move out on the road.
- Signal - let drivers know what you are going to do next.
- Look ahead down the road to see if there might be danger ahead.

(Source: MTO)

- Get educated. Take a CAN-BIKE [[link to toronto.ca/cycling/canbike](http://toronto.ca/cycling/canbike)] or driver's education course and upgrade your skills
- Stay awake, aware and alert when you drive or cycle.
- Slow down - drive or cycle in a way that gives you and others time to react.
- Keep a "space cushion" around you so you don't get squeezed into obstacles.
- Obey the laws - be predictable and efficient.
- Think about the environment - walk or cycle for short trips.

(Source City of Toronto)

Make Your Bike Legal

Equipment required by law:

- Helmet - cyclists under 18 must wear a helmet. Helmets are strongly recommended for cyclists over 18.
- Lights and reflectors: a white light mounted on front of your bike, a red reflector on the back at night.
- Bell or horn.
- Reflective tape: white reflective tape on the front forks, red reflective tap on the rearstays.

Recommended equipment:

- Rack or basket keeps your hands free for steering.
- Water bottle and cage
- Wear shoes that cover your toes.

(Source MTO)

Why wear a bike helmet?

Wearing a bike helmet reduces the risk of injury and death. Cycling is a reasonably safe activity that millions of us enjoy, but each year in Ontario a few cyclists die after a crash or a collision. Most die because of head injuries. Many more cyclists suffer permanent brain injury, often radically changing their personality and their capacity to operate in the world as before.

Wearing a bike helmet increases your chances of surviving a fall or a crash or a collision. We all like better odds, so wear a bike helmet every time.

According to figures from Statistics Canada, of the 14,135 people killed in road accidents in Canada between 2000 and 2004, 263 were cyclists.

How to encourage wearing a bike helmet

A majority of cyclists wear helmets, but many don't. Here are some simple ways for you to encourage others to wear a bike helmet.

- Start with yourself. Be a good role model. Wear your helmet every time. Make sure it is properly adjusted.
- Talk to your family. If you are a parent, make wearing a helmet just a part of what you do. Start your children young so they get the helmet habit early. If you are a child, let your parents know how important wearing a helmet is.
- Encourage your friends. A bike helmet is a great present idea for the cyclist who has nearly everything.

(Source: The City of Toronto)

Wear your helmet right

The edge of the helmet should be two fingers above the eyebrows to protect the forehead, straps should meet in a V shape just below the ears and one finger should fit between the chin and the chinstrap.

(Source MTO)

The Helmet Law in Ontario

Cyclists under 18 are required by law to wear an approved bicycle helmet when riding a bike on a roadway or sidewalk. The law was passed on October 1, 1995. Some communities in Ontario have passed by-laws requiring cyclists under 18 to wear helmets wherever they ride.

An approved bicycle helmet is one that has been tested for use by cyclists by one of the following testing agencies:

- Canadian Standards Association (CSA),
- Snell Memorial Foundation,
- American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM),
- American National Standards Institute (ANSI),
- British Standards Institute (BSI),
- Standards Association of Australia (SAA).

Other kinds of protective helmets, such as hockey helmets, are not acceptable.

Parents can be charged if they knowingly allow their children to ride without a bicycle helmet.

All cyclists should wear a bike helmet when they ride. It reduces the risk of brain and head injury in the event of a crash or collision.

(Source MTO)

Bike related injuries and risk factors

About 50% of bike crashes are falls (cyclist alone)

About 25% of bike crashes involve a motor vehicle

About 25% of bike crashes are caused in other ways

(Source: The City of Toronto)

According to Statistics Canada, around 7,500 cyclists suffer serious injuries every year.

It's estimated that as many as 70,000 others are treated in hospital emergency rooms for cycling-related injuries. In Canada, 56 per cent of cyclist fatalities and 85 per cent of serious cycling injuries occur in cities. Other risk factors include:

- Time of day: 17 per cent of deaths and 23 per cent of injuries occur in accidents during the afternoon rush hour.
- Time of day: 30 per cent of cyclist fatalities occur at night or in artificial light situations.
- Location: You're more likely to be killed or injured at an intersection or at road locations with traffic signals or other traffic control signs.
- Rural areas: 44 per cent of cyclist fatalities that occurred in rural areas were on roads with posted speed limits of 80 km/h or higher.
- Age: Cyclists under the age of 24 have substantially higher death and injury rates than the rest of the population.

Tips to avoid collisions

- Maintain your bicycle in good working order.
- Be as visible as possible to others.
- Learn the skills needed to control your bike.
- Cycle in traffic safely and predictably.
- Know and obey the rules of the road.
- The rules of the road include properly signalling a turn or a lane change, stopping at all red lights and stop signs. If there are parked cars in the lane, make sure you're a car door's width from those parked cars, so you avoid being struck by an opening door.
- Mirrors on your helmet or handlebars can help you see what's coming but - like in a car - there can be blind spots. You should look behind you before you change lanes, pass someone or make a turn.

CAN-BIKE

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Highway Traffic Act- Rules of the Road

The rules of the road are written down in a law called the Highway Traffic Act (HTA). Here are some of the important rules cyclists should know:

- A bicycle is a vehicle and as a cyclist, you have the same rights and responsibilities as other road users (HTA 1).*
- You must stop at red lights (HTA 124) and stop signs (HTA 136), and travel in the designated direction on one-way streets (HTA 153).
- A bicycle is a slow vehicle and must travel as far to the right as practicable (HTA 147), except when preparing for a left turn or passing. Ride out from the curb far enough to maintain a straight-line path.
- You may use any part of a lane if your safety requires it. Never compromise your safety for the convenience of a motorist behind you.
- Stop for pedestrians at crosswalks (HTA 120), and walk your bike across crosswalks (HTA 144(29)).
- Stop for school buses when the upper red lights are flashing and the stop arm is out [HTA 175(12)].
- Stop two metres behind streetcar doors and wait until the passengers have boarded or reached the curb (HTA 166).
- You cannot attach yourself to a vehicle to hitch a ride (HTA 178).
- You cannot cycle on expressways or freeways, or on roads where "No Bicycle" signs are posted (HTA 185).
- Cyclists must identify themselves when stopped by the police for breaking traffic laws. You must give the officer your correct name and address (HTA 218).

* The numbers after HTA relate to the section of the Highway Traffic Act that deals with that rule.

(Source MTO)

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- How construction will be staged for the next year.
- How some key initial construction activities will be delivered, including:
 - Advanced fill and Wick Drain installation from Ojibway Parkway to Huron Church Rd.
 - N. Talbot Rd. Bridge over Highway 401.
 - Highway 401 widening from N. Talbot Rd. westerly 700m.
 - Howard Avenue Diversion from S. Talbot Rd. to Hwy 3 including roundabout
- How we plan to lessen the impacts of construction (dust, noise traffic) on the community.
- How to stay informed and involved throughout the upcoming construction.

This Public Information Open House will build upon the community consultation previously conducted through the Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) study and the Public Information Open House held on March 9, 2011. In accordance with Ontario Environmental Assessment Act requirements, a Design and Construction Report (DCR) will be prepared and made available for review. The DCR will document how the commitments and mitigation outlined in the Ontario Environmental Assessment Report and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Screening Report have been addressed. Notices advising of the availability of the Design and Construction Report will be published in local papers.

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Information collected at the Open House will be used in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Access to Information Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments become a part of the public record.



The Public Information Open House will be held:

Wednesday, May 18, 2011
2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Ciocchio Club

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Presentations will take place in
Salon D at 2:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m.
and 7:00 p.m.