

From: [Rich McIlwee](#)
To: [Stevenson, Kirsten](#)
Subject: Re: Police patrol Locke street area
Date: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 3:54:03 PM

Hello Kirsten, yes, you can forward my email to the public board agenda, whatever will help us achieve more police presence in our community.

Thanks again, Rich.

On Tue, Jan 24, 2023, 2:45 PM Stevenson, Kirsten, <Kirsten.Stevenson@hamilton.ca> wrote:

Good afternoon Rich – I’m happy to help.

I believe the best course of action is to forward your email to the Office of the Chief of Police for review.

Moving forward though, if you’d like me to include your email on an upcoming public Board agenda please let me know.

Take care and have a great day.

Regards,

Kirsten

From: Rich McIlwee
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 11:55 AM
To: Stevenson, Kirsten <Kirsten.Stevenson@hamilton.ca>
Subject: Re: Police patrol Locke street area

Hello Kirsten,

Thank you for your prompt response, communication is greatly appreciated and definitely a good step forward.

Please feel free to forward my email where you feel appropriate and would help most. I am a 62 year old Hamiltonian, born and raised and always willing to do what I can do to help our neighbors, community and city we all call home. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Rich McIlwee.

On Mon, Jan 23, 2023, 9:23 AM Stevenson, Kirsten, <Kirsten.Stevenson@hamilton.ca> wrote:

Good morning Rich and thank you for your email.

I'm sorry to hear about the issues you and your wife are dealing with in the community.

As Administrator of the Board I can offer to forward your email to the Office of the Chief of Police for review. I can also include your correspondence on the next public Board agenda (February 23) for the Board's consideration (I would remove your personal email address prior to publishing your email in the public agenda).

Please let me know how you would like to move forward.

Take care and have a great day,

Kirsten

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From: Rich McIlwee
Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2023 10:55 AM
To: Stevenson, Kirsten <Kirsten.Stevenson@hamilton.ca>
Subject: Police patrol Locke street area

Hello Kirsten,

I am emailing you to try to improve the safety and security of our community. I live on George Street just off of Locke street and concerned about the lack of police presence in this area. CHCH has just did a report on the increase in auto break ins, my truck was broken into last week, they pried the door with a crow bar, tore the window out, caused \$3000 in damage and found nothing. Cost me \$500 deductible and had to wait a week to have my truck repaired. As reported on the news the increase in break ins in area is incredible. I'm watching this report the officer when asked about this, his answer was the this crime happens when the police are not around. That is correct, that is also the problem. I walk my dog every night around 11pm for approximately an hour and a half, I walk up and down Locke street and up and down the side streets to Dundurn and back to Queen as far as Aberdeen. I haven't seen a police patrol in months. Since the construction on Locke street 2 years ago, there is no police presence. I see people walking around with no real direction, going one way then crossing then going another way, then returning with no obvious destination. What is even worse, is when my wife takes the dog and these people when seeing her, stop stare and follow. She has had to call 911 and has been told she shouldn't be walking the dog so late. On one occasion, she was being followed, she couldn't go home because she didn't want this guy to see where she lives, called 911, the operator told her to just go home, she called me to come and pick her up. When I arrived the guy ran off between the houses and disappeared. After an hour wait the police showed up, asked questions, did a patrol, the guy was long gone, we returned home. This has to change, we need the police to be visible, I wife has lived here over 30 years because she loved the neighborhood and felt safe, she no longer feels safe and when asking for help is made to feel she is doing something wrong and is an inconvenience. Again we need the police to do regular patrols through this area, police presence would definitely help and I can't believe that this couldn't happen easily. This community needs the police to help keep this area safe and secure.

I am interested in your thoughts on this.

Concerned,

Rich McIlwee.