

Dear Residents:

We are writing to let you know that Infrastructure Ontario and Trillium Health Partners are in the final stages of signing a contract with the company that will design and build two new long-term care homes on the Speakman Drive property.

The proponent plans to be on site as early as the week of November 16th to begin site mobilization. This means the initial work to establish site offices, set-up for site access, installing perimeter fencing, preparing parking and space for work trailers and installing erosion and sediment control barriers or silt fencing. Silt fencing is a geotech fabric material that is typically used before construction starts to retain the soil on the property and reduce disruption to adjacent areas during construction. This is typically installed on or near the property line. A security fence is then installed around the site as a permanent barrier, to separate construction from the neighbouring properties, and also contain the site and provide some dust control.

Here is an example of a silt fence:



SHORA and the community have raised questions about the work hours and we know that this is important. All work will take place during the day between 7am and 7pm from Monday to Friday. If works needs to be scheduled outside of these hours or on a weekend, we will work with the proponent to provide sufficient notice of these exceptions to the community.

As part of the site mobilization work, residences with encroachments on the Speakman property (e.g. sheds, garden plantings, guide wires and fencing) will need to remove any items they wish to keep by November 30th to allow the proponent to access the area. To support this process, we will attempt to identify those residences with encroachments and contact the homeowners directly. Despite our efforts, please note that it is the responsibility of homeowners to identify and remove any personal items that extend onto the Speakman Drive property.

We will communicate more information on the design and build firm once it is announced as well as provide additional details on what to expect over the next few weeks and months as they come on board. We will be scheduling a date for the next virtual community open house session in the next few weeks to introduce the design/build company, discuss construction timelines and what to expect, and give you an opportunity to ask questions and share your thoughts and feedback.

As always, we welcome all of your questions and comments, and are committed to working together through this development. Please send your questions to public.affairs@thp.ca.

Sincerely,
Trillium Health Partners