

## TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

TOWN OF GUILDERLAND

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TO: TOWN BOARD

FROM: LT. CURTIS A. COX, CHAIRMAN

DATE: APRIL 10, 2008

SUBJECT: VALLEY LANE - REQUEST FOR STOP SIGN

At the February 21 meeting of the TSC, the committee voted to recommend the installation of a stop sign on Valley Lane at the intersection of Country Road.

History:

Valley Lane is a road in McKownville that runs between Country Road to the south and East Highland Drive to the north. At the intersection of East Highland Drive, Valley Lane is controlled by an existing stop sign. At the intersection of Country Road, neither Valley Lane, or Country Road are controlled by any traffic control device. The primary roadways are Country Road and East Highland Drive, and the secondary is Valley Lane. The speed limit on all of the above roads is designated the town speed limit of 30 miles per hour. All of the above roads are town roads.

## Complaint:

The TSC received a complaint that there is no stop sign on Valley Lane at the intersection of Country Road. It is described that especially during afternoon rush hour, cars traveling on Route 20 westbound will make a left turn into East Highland Drive, continue to Valley Lane to Country Road as a shortcut to Schoolhouse Road. This is in an attempt to avoid the intersection of Schoolhouse Road and Route 20 where this is a significant wait time for

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the traffic light at that intersection. Because Valley Lane, Highland Drive and Country Road are in a residential neighborhood, there are concerns about safety and the volume and speed of these vehicles. It is requested that a stop sign be installed on Valley Lane at the intersection of Country Road so that vehicles traveling south on Valley Lane would have to stop before proceeding onto Country Road. It is hoped this may deter traffic from using this as a short cut.

## Committee Review:

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Currently, this intersection is uncontrolled. Installation of this sign will establish basic right of way. The sign would be in compliance with MUTCD regulations. This intersection will match the intersection of Valley Lane and East Highland Drive where a stop sign already exists. An accident history at these intersections has been completed with no accident history in the result.



Attachment: Site Distance Diagram/Turning Maneuver at Intersection <u>COMMITTEE:</u> POLICE DEPARTMENT HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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