

Sample letter 1

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Dear (city councillor)

I live in the Wolseley community and want to voice my deep concerns about Winnipeg Transit's plan to turn our heritage neighbourhood into a major bus route.

One of the reasons my family chose to live here is because it's a walkable community. We can easily and safely go for long walks along the quiet streets. We can stop to chat with friends we meet along the way.

We can wonder at the many beautiful gardens or have fun spotting song birds in the tall elms and flowering bushes. Our children can jump on their bikes and pedal over to a friend's house where they can play in the front yard.

All of that could quickly change when we have to compete for space with noisy diesel buses running every few minutes through our neighbourhood all day long.

I know Transit has been planning new routes for some time, but we only learned recently about the major impact on Wolseley. Why weren't we consulted? Why did we have to learn about the new routes from neighbours who heard it from other neighbours?

This came as a huge disappointment to those of us who take the bus and support Transit as a way to make our city greener.

Please restore my faith in Transit by cancelling this plan and start the process fresh by consulting with the people it will most affect. Surely, we can come up with routes that serve Wolseley without destroying its unique character and charm.

Sincerely,

Jane Smith

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