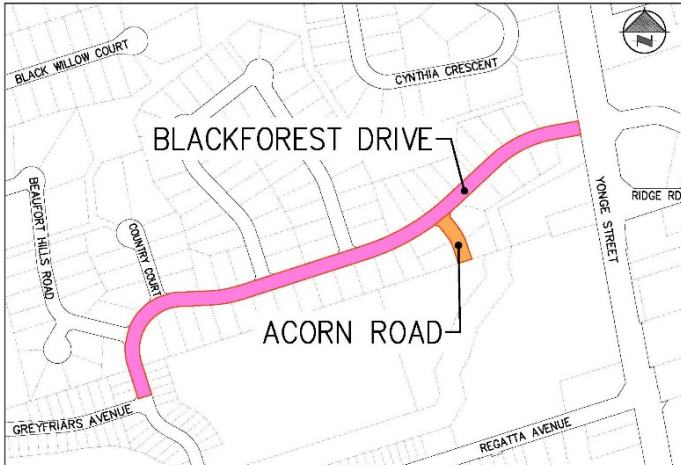


Blackforest Drive and Acorn Road Reconstruction



Status Update

The purpose of this notice is to provide an update on the proposed works on Blackforest Drive and Acorn Road following the Public Information Centre (PIC) in June 2023.

Cycling Facility and Parking Restriction

During the virtual Public Meeting held on June 1, 2023, City staff introduced three cycling facility options: Multi-Use Path, Advisory Bike Lanes, and

Shared Roadway. Following a comprehensive evaluation of feedback from residents and an assessment of the current site conditions, the Advisory Bike Lanes option has been determined as the preferred design and will be implemented on Blackforest Drive from Yonge Street to Greyfriars Avenue. Parking will be restricted on both sides of Blackforest Drive for the implementation of the Advisory Bike Lanes. Parking will be restricted on one side of Acorn Road to align with the City's latest road standard.

West Sidewalk Extension to Greyfriars Avenue

In the preliminary design presented during the PIC, the north/west sidewalk on Blackforest Drive ended at Beaufort Hills Road. Requests from residents were received to extend this sidewalk to Greyfriars Avenue to improve the sidewalk connectivity in the surrounding area including access to the Oak Ridges Public School. As a result, the road design for Blackforest Drive will incorporate a west sidewalk extension from Beaufort Hills Road to Greyfriars Avenue.

Construction Schedule

The road reconstruction on Blackforest Drive, Acorn Road and Rosegarden Crescent is scheduled to start in early summer 2024 pending budget approval. The construction will be carried out in phases and is anticipated to be substantially complete by late 2025. A separate Construction Notice will be issued to provide further update on the construction start date in 2024.

Next Steps

- A number of existing utilities on the City's right of way will be relocated by utility companies in preparation for the road reconstruction in late 2023/early 2024.

- All private buried drain pipes (e.g. sump pump or roof drains) that currently discharge into the existing ditch within the City's right of way must be disconnected and removed by the homeowners prior to the road reconstruction.
- Private installations (e.g. decorative features and planting) within the City's right of way (i.e. boulevard) will be impacted by the road reconstruction. If residents wish to retain these features, they should relocate them away from the boulevard.

For additional project information, please visit RichmondHill.ca/CapitalProjects or scan this QR code. If you are unable to access the website, please contact the project lead.

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Blackforest Drive (Greyfriars Avenue to Yonge Street)
Acorn Road (from Blackforest Drive to south limit)

Website: RichmondHill.ca/CapitalProjects