



**To:** His Worship the Mayor and Members of Council  
**From:** Tom Lightfoot, Public Works Manager  
**Report Number:** PW2024-02  
**Subject:** Illegal Dumping  
**Meeting Date:** May 15, 2024

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**Recommendation:**

THAT Council endorse the placement of “No Dumping” signs along Township owned roads connecting to Oxford Road #17.

AND THAT staff complete social media posts as public information regarding illegal dumping within the Township road right-of-ways.

**Report:**

Illegal dumping along Township road right-of-ways continues to be an ongoing issue. Last fall the Township saw an increase in garbage bags being dumped in ditches on a regular basis. The situation got so bad that the Township was sending a truck out every Monday morning to clean up garbage that had been dumped. We have now again seen an increase in the past couple months in both the north and south halves of the Township, with the south half of the Township being the worst area. On one day public works staff found 4 piles of construction debris and carpet dumped in separate locations on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Lines. That particular incident required a loader, dump truck and two operators, plus the time to run the load to landfill, with tipping fees over and above that amount. Given this, illegal dumping is having a significant impact on staff time and budget.

Staff is recommending placing no dumping signs on the 15<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Lines just north of Oxford Road #17 as these are the worst areas for dumping. Staff would also suggest posting pictures on social media channels to educate the public about the cost of illegal dumping.



**Financial Implications:**

The purchase "No Dumping" signs will cost approximately \$500.00, plus the staff time required to install the signs.

Respectfully Submitted by:



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Tom Lightfoot  
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Approved for Submission:



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CAO/Treasurer