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Dear neighbours and residents of Montreal West,

SAFETY

As I speak to you, the Westminster level crossing pilot project is beginning tonight, Sept. 28. This pilot project has been in the works since 2024. Its main goal is to implement measures to comply with Transport Canada requirements, and to improve safety and traffic flow near the Westminster level crossing. This part of Westminster Street is a very complex, high-traffic area for motorists, cyclists, pedestrians, and trains. Traffic engineers from WSP were hired to conduct studies and guide the town in its decision-making process, with the help of the Sustainable Mobility Committee.

During the work, Westminster will be closed every evening from 7 p.m. till 7 a.m. between Milner and Avon until Oct. 3. During this exceptional period where Westminster is closed at Ainslie, the Devil's Hill access (where Broughton St. and des Érables meet) will be ONLY open during the evening, from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m., to traffic for residents in the Southwest sector, where RWA, Paula Cordeau Park, Triangle Park, and Kirkpatrick Park are located.

The main changes to this pilot project are reducing the number of lanes from Milner to Avon and preventing certain left turns into oncoming traffic, etc.

Nous avons tous vécu ce carrefour cauchemardesque au passage à niveau aux heures de pointe, les matins et soirs de semaine. Nous espérons que les nouvelles configurations de circulation permettront une meilleure fluidité de la circulation et une plus grande sécurité pour tous les usagers.

It will not be easy during the construction period, and we expect a period of adaptation that may linger for several months. Please be patient with one another and plan your travel time accordingly.

Lastly, we understand that these changes will affect many of you in town in the short term, but by no means should these changes affect the safety and quietness of our residential streets in the long term. This is a pilot project, and we hope to adapt when needed. Again, we will ask for your patience.

If you want to know more about this project, please visit the town's website. It has a slew of information regarding the pilot project.

A WORD FROM YOUR PSOs

Nos agents de sécurité publique ont été très occupés pendant la période de la rentrée scolaire, patrouillant les trois zones scolaires de notre Ville. L'automne est arrivé, alors n'oubliez pas que la période d'utilisation des souffleuses à feuilles électriques s'étend du 15 octobre au 15 novembre.

SPORTS & RECREATION

The MWAC closed for the season on Sep. 20. There were approx. 40K entrances to the pool during its first summer in operation. The MWAC has sent out a survey for all users to fill out to get feedback and guide future improvements for 2027.

The Recreational fall programming started Sep. 14. Registration is very strong within our community for our activities.

Des activités spéciales quotidiennes seront créées lors des journées pédagogiques des écoles publique affiliées à l' ESMB et au Centre de services scolaire Marguerite-Bourgeoys de notre territoire. Surveillez le site Web pour plus d'information.

Upcoming events: Murder Mystery Teen Night, Oct. 23; Halloween Spooktacular, Oct. 30, starting at 5 p.m.; Halloween free skate, Oct. 31, from 4–6 p.m.

Unfortunately, due to lack of interest and, consequently, low registration, the Oktoberfest event scheduled for Oct. 2 has been cancelled.

Here to serve,

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