

Town of BWG welcomes news of progress on Highway 400-404 Connecting Link

Bradford West Gwillimbury, ON (*August 16, 2019*) – Last night’s announcement that the Government of Ontario is proceeding towards building the Highway 400-404 Link has been received by the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury with great excitement.

“We are grateful to Transportation Minister Caroline Mulroney for her support of this project and her efforts to bring the Link to fruition,” said Mayor Rob Keffer. “It’s been almost 40 years since the road was first proposed, and more than two years since it was added to the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, so this announcement is the confirmation we were looking for that the province is committed to building the Link.”

Minister Mulroney, MPP for York-Simcoe, announced on August 15 that the government would immediately begin to update the existing Environmental Assessment and start the design process for the Highway 400-404 Connecting Link, which is a proposed 16.2 km, four-lane highway to be built between Lines 8 and 9 in BWG.

“This is a very positive step for our community, which has been struggling with commuter traffic through our downtown core for decades,” Keffer said. “When we conducted a telephone poll in 2016, 85 per cent of residents favoured construction.

“The Link is good news for anyone commuting between Simcoe County and York Region or Toronto, as well as for our local businesses and residents who would like to see our downtown return to a destination for shopping and dining rather than a busy thoroughfare,” Keffer added. “It’s also a critical piece of infrastructure for businesses and manufacturers to move goods through the region, enabling economic growth for our municipality and beyond.”