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RE: Level of Service for School Transportation

Dear Ms. Cooling,

East Hants Council is concerned with the level of service for school transportation being provided to our residents. Council has received feedback from residents regarding the lack of consistency for bussing to and from school. One example provided to Council by a parent was that within the first 13 days of school the bus wasn't running for 5 of those days.

At Council's Regular meeting on September 25, 2024, they moved the following motion:

Moved that staff send a letter to CCRCE expressing concern over increasing interruption of bussing for students in East Hants and wondering how we can work towards a solution to this dilemma.

While Council can understand the complexities of providing such a service, it is a mandate of the Provincial Government and more specifically the CREs through the Provincial School Transportation Policy to provide safe, timely, and effective transportation options. An interruption of service at this frequency adds hardship for families and impacts the child's educational opportunities.

Council thanks you for taking the time to discuss with our Director of Corporate Services. If there is additional information you can provide Council on how we can work towards a solution, Council would be open to discuss.

Best regards,



Eleanor Roulston, Warden

CC:

- Chantelle Paris, Executive Assistant to the CCRCE Regional Executive Director
- Becky Druhan, Minister of Education
- John A. MacDonald, MLA Hants East
- Melissa Sheehy-Richard, MLA West Hants
- Brad Johns, MLA Sackville-Uniacke