



Town of Milton Pedestrian Charter

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We want to encourage walking in all parts of our community. This charter explains our vision for a town that values and actively supports walking.



Getting around without cars

Easy access to our streets, squares, buildings and public transit gives us more freedom and independence. Walking makes it possible for all of us to take part in the life of our community, helping to create a richer social life.



Well-designed and managed spaces and places for people

We enjoy living in a healthy, convenient, attractive environment that is tailored to our needs. This way, we can enjoy our public areas in comfort and safety, away from noise and pollution.



Connecting walking routes and networks

We value a network of walking routes that are well-connected, direct and easy to follow as well as safe, comfortable, attractive, and well-maintained. These routes link all the places we need to go, such as homes, shops, schools, parks and public transit.



Land use and planning that supports walking

We support policies about land use and planning that:

- Make it easy to walk to most of the places we need to get to each day
- Reduce our dependence on cars
- Increase density - not urban sprawl



Safe roads

We value streets that are designed to prevent accidents. These streets are pleasant, safe and convenient for all people who walk, including children, seniors and persons with disabilities.

Prevention of crime and fear

We want to live in a town that is designed, maintained and policed in a way that reduces crime and the fear of crime.

Support for walking from our leaders

We want our community leaders to support our choice to walk and want to work together to help build a "culture of walking." People should see walking as a normal and enjoyable way to take part in all aspects of community life.

**Experts say communities that promote walking are healthier communities.
That's what we want for the Town of Milton!**

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