



TOWN OF INGERSOLL  
Town Centre

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**Town of Ingersoll Partners with CN to Improve Thames St Railroad Crossing**

Ingersoll, ON November 3, 2023 - In a recent report to Council, the Town of Ingersoll is working closely with CN to improve the tracks at the crossing of Thames Street.

The long-standing problem of deteriorating and frequently repaired railroad tracks has been successfully addressed by the Town and CN. Challenges relating to the dual-track curvature and speed of travel, partnered with the proximity of the Thames Street bridge structures, have created issues with track longevity.

Where and When:

- The repairs will run from Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 pm to Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm
- No track access; No emergency access at the crossing
- Thames St will be closed Northbound at the bridge to Victoria St during this time
- All Northbound traffic will be redirected either down King St W or Charles St W to Ingersoll St North back to Thames St N via Victoria St
- All Southbound traffic will be redirected down Victoria St to Ingersoll St North, then back down to King St W to Thames St S

CN has stated its intention to service the crossing through annual maintenance and monitoring to ensure proper planning for any future improvements.

The Town and CN are jointly committed to ensuring their approach and budgets are aligned. If more extensive rehabilitation needs to be undertaken to improve the tracks, CN and Ingersoll will take to planning several months or even years ahead of construction.

Mayor Petrie stated, "I want to thank the residents of Ingersoll for their endless patience in dealing with the current state of the crossing. I also want to thank Council and Staff for their advocacy, and I'm pleased CN has agreed to invest in a better solution than in the past. It's also positive they're committing to a more collaborative process with the Town regarding the monitoring and maintaining the crossings within the Town. I'm hopeful this will lead to better outcomes in the future."

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