

February 7th, 2017

**PROPOSAL FOR METEGHAN REPAVING  
SIDEWALK REPAIRS**

Dear Mr. Cyr,

The Meteghan sidewalk was the first in Clare, built in the late 1970's, and is showing its age. Meteghan is arguably the 'capital of Clare' and is a busy place all year round. Having four long-term care facilities for seniors, a few low-income apartments and numerous places of business, the sidewalk is used by pedestrians with wheelchairs, walkers and strollers, in addition to the countless people using the sidewalk recreationally and for physical activity.

In my opinion, the sidewalk should be redone while the paving project will be going through the area. The curb must be removed for the paving job to be complete, giving the perfect opportunity to back up the curb mid-way into the sod, and removing the remaining sod to widen the sidewalk (see attached illustration). Not only will this give pedestrians more space to walk in pairs or to use wheelchairs and other walking aids, it would widen the parking lane on the side of the road. This would be a benefit around busy areas such as the church, many businesses and the Villa Acadienne.

The money spent on repairing the sidewalk in Meteghan would be a good investment in our community; it would encourage people of all ages to get outdoors and be more active. This, in turn, could even reduce the cost of our health care in the future.

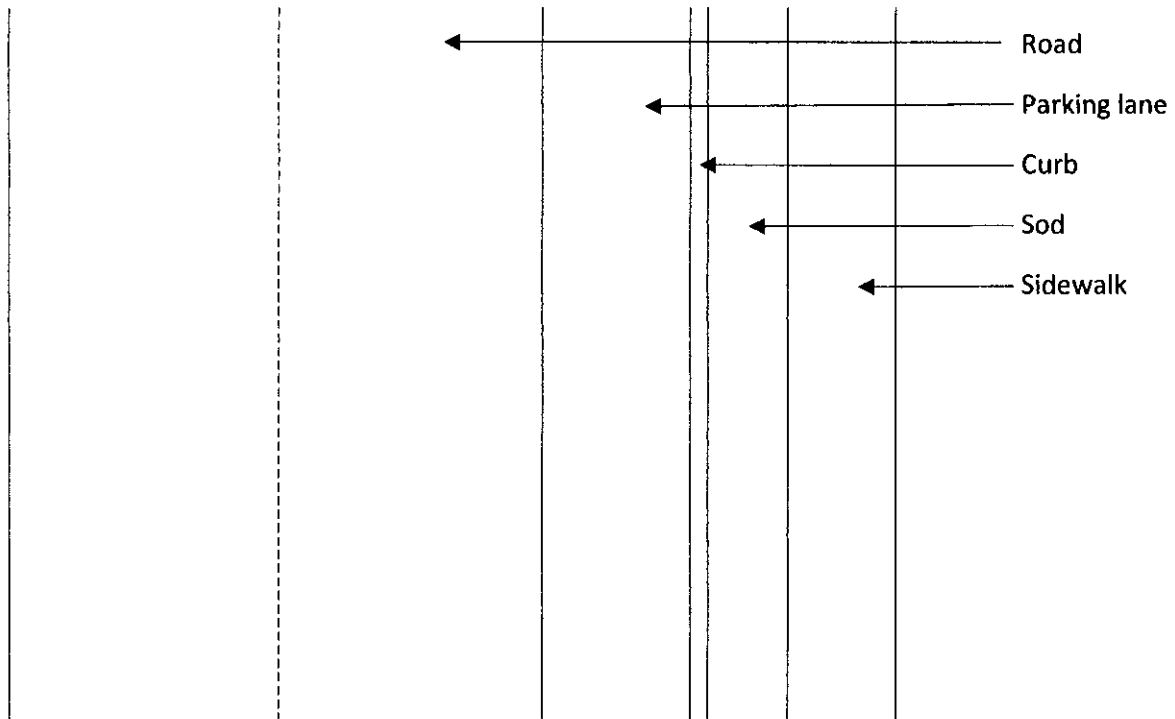
Thank you for your consideration.

Russel Titus

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Existing sidewalk



Proposed sidewalk

