

## The Eastchester Environmental Committee Bicycling and Pedestrian Advocacy Subcommittee

The Bicycling/Pedestrian Subcommittee of the Eastchester Environmental Committee is dedicated to encouraging cycling and walking in Eastchester. One important aspect of our mission is to improve cycling and pedestrian safety within the Town. Please contact us if you have any ideas or concerns about bicycling and pedestrian safety issues in Eastchester: [info@EastchesterEnvironmentalCommittee.com](mailto:info@EastchesterEnvironmentalCommittee.com)

We have two ongoing projects:

### **SHARROWS PROJECT**

The EEC is working with Supervisor Colavita and the Town Highway Department to place "sharrows" on Eastchester roads. Sharrows are stylized bicycle markings to be used on roads to remind drivers that they must share the roads with cyclists. Sharrows are commonly used to promote bicycling and bicycling safety throughout the United States, and are recognized by the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

More information about sharrows can be found at:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shared\\_lane\\_marking](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shared_lane_marking)

"Share the Road" signs will also be placed at intervals along the roads marked with sharrows. The sharrows are placed towards the middle of the lane, especially on roads that have parking. Sharrows are designed so that cyclists are positioned towards the center the lane, out of danger of opened doors from parked cars.

The sharrows route was plotted by Supervisor Colavita and the Eastchester Environmental Committee, to create a suggested bike route around Eastchester. In agreement with the Traffic and Pedestrian Advisory Committee the first sharrows will be placed on California Road, and subsequent sharrows will be placed around Eastchester. Permission will be requested from the village boards of Tuckahoe and Bronxville to add sharrows to certain roads in these villages.

### **IMPROVING PEDESTRIAN ROAD CROSSINGS**

If you've ever done any walking in the Town of Eastchester, you have probably experienced stoplights at major road crossing (Route 22 and Mill Road, Route 22 and Brook Street), where the WALK sign never seems to light up. This is only one of the road conditions that need to be improved within the Town, to promote safe walking.

Please contact us if you have any comments about pedestrian safety in Eastchester, or want to get involved in our efforts to improve pedestrian crossing at stoplights: [info@EastchesterEnvironmentalCommittee.com](mailto:info@EastchesterEnvironmentalCommittee.com)

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Next Eastchester Environmental Committee public meeting is Thursday, Feb 5 in the Eastchester Public Library Community room at 7:30 pm

EEC Meetings are always the first Thursday of every month, normally at Town Hall, 40 Mill Road

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