

On Sep 23, 2026, at 8:41 PM,

Re: **Mantua Bridge Tidal Viewing**

Hello.

My name is Michael Knowles, a resident of District 2 on the Avondale Road.

First of all, thank you for the work you do across the Municipality. A big job for sure.

This message is about one part of our area. The bridge at Mantua where locals and tourists alike are able to view the tidal river, particularly the Tidal Bore.

Tourists are sent to this area since it is a great spot to watch the incoming tides. It really is a great spectacle, no matter how many times you see it.

But - over the past number of years, and Councillor McLean will attest to this, I have asked and asked that the grass be cut, and the area be kept 'nice' looking for visitors and locals alike. Every year, the approaches to the bridge walkway become so overgrown that it is difficult to wade through the tall grass and weeds to get to the walkway. It often looks terrible; certainly not an inviting site to be directed to, to view the river and tides. As well, when you do get there, there is no signage at all, explaining the tides etc.

This past summer I had a discussion with our Mayor about this topic. (By coincidence our MP was also present) I am hoping there may be a way to better promote and improve this Tidal Viewing site. Perhaps construct a platform for standing or sitting, which could also be where information signage could be placed. At the very least, keep it maintained regularly.

I hope you will have time to consider this e mail.

Thank you,

Michael Knowles