

This is Mayor Lili Neuhauser. I want to address briefly the Village's plans to open the Causeway. First, I fully understand and appreciate the inconvenience that this closure has caused many Village residents and their guests, and want to assure you that over the last several months the Village has been exploring many options to resolve this matter and open the Causeway.

We have now commissioned our Village Engineers to design a project, with several options, to dismantle the problem section of the wall from the roadway, install the necessary drainage facilities to ensure the long-term integrity of the wall, and then to restore the wall. After the engineering plans are finalized, we will obtain quotes for the various options and make a final decision to proceed forward with the work. It is expected that this selection process will be concluded in the next few weeks. We will make every effort to plan and conduct the work to allow the Causeway to be opened as quickly as possible during this process, even while the restoration work continues.