



Jacky Kennedy

Founding Director of Canada Walks at Green Communities Canada, a walking advocate from Toronto who has been working to encourage walking for more than 15 years. Her current work is around setting up a national school travel plan framework for Active and Safe Routes to School in Canada. *Canada Walks* has also developed a Walk-Friendly Communities Designation; the first "Walk-Friendly Communities in Ontario are to be announced in November 2013. Jacky predicts a need for each of us to adopt simpler lifestyles to reduce our combined ecological footprint. She has observed a marked shift in attitudes and behaviours with many more people adopting active human-powered mobility for many of their shorter daily trips and municipalities across Canada developing pedestrian plans. This will mean an increasing proportion of local government spend will be for improving pedestrian infrastructure.

Notes from **Jacky Kennedy's 5 year walking forecast for Talking Walking**: Recorded over the telephone and published in October 2013 on <http://talkingwalking.net>

To mark the fifth anniversary of Talking Walking, we asked thought leaders to make their 5 year predictions about the state of walking in the fields in which they work and the places where they live. Respondents were asked to call a Skype number to leave their forecast, identifying who they were, what work they were doing that revolved around walking, and what their forecast was for walking in the next five years. We recorded these voice messages and reproduce them here: <http://www.talkingwalking.net/5-year-walking-forecast/>

Links to further information on topics mentioned:

Canada Walks: <http://www.canadawalks.ca/>

What is a 'walkable community'? <http://www.canadawalks.ca/aboutus.asp>
#WalkableCommunity

Walk Friendly Designations: <http://www.greencommunitiescanada.org/walk-friendly-ontario-launched/>

Green Communities Canada: <http://www.greencommunitiescanada.org/about-us/>

Active and Safe Routes to School: <http://www.saferoutestoschool.ca/>

Listen to / download a 20 minute interview with Jacky Kennedy here:
<http://www.talkingwalking.net/jacky-kennedy-talking-walking/>