



Town of Gibsons

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Tracy Forster, Administrative Assistant II

DATE: September 3, 2019

SUBJECT: **Correspondence for the Week Ending September 3, 2019**

Please find attached the following items of correspondence for your consideration.

Please note: *Only correspondence indicated has been forwarded to staff. If you have any questions, or would like staff to follow up with items on the CRF, please contact Lindsey as items do not need to wait for a Council meeting to be actioned.*

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Town of Gibsons
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"The World's Most Liveable Town" 2009

August 29, 2019

Dear Mayor Beamish and Council,

Sunshine Coast Community Services (SCCSS) supports affordable and dignified housing for everyone because it changes lives and contributes to safe, healthy and vibrant communities.

There are many benefits of safe, dignified and affordable housing. According to the Ontario Medical Association, having a safe and secure place to live has been found to be a significant part of recovering from mental illness and addiction, and in gaining employment, food security, access to social services, and access to health care.

A local example of the benefit of affordable housing comes from one of our participants David.

David (name has been changed for privacy) is a young man living with, at times, debilitating schizophrenia. He has been a member of one of our programs for 3 years. He has had to spend time in the Sechelt psychiatric ward to adjust his medication for his own safety. His parents are no longer able to house David.

His parents fear that David will be taken advantage of. They have sat in tears with staff to share their fears for their son's safety sleeping on the streets and at the homeless shelter.

David has been repeatedly taken advantage of by others. He has, on numerous occasions, had all of his money taken, all of his possessions stolen and unfortunately been dragged into the world of street drugs. David's parents' biggest fear is that he will be forced by others into the sex trade to make money to feed his addictions.

Six months ago staff encouraged and supported David to apply for a housing unit in the RainCity housing development in Sechelt. David's application was successful.

The day David found out he had secured housing he was speechless and overcome with joy. David now feels safe. He is now participating in more programs including a job readiness program and has started down the long road of freeing himself from drug use.

David's parents have once again shed tears but now they are ones of relief, knowing their son can sleep safe and sound at night and during the day attend programs where he receives, from both staff and fellow participants, life skills support, guidance, acceptance and love.

Safe, affordable and dignified housing changes lives. It changes the lives of the people who have access to housing, it changes the lives of their families and it has a positive impact on the community. It is changing the lives of Kelly, Larry, George, Lisa, Dave, Susan, James, Penny, Derek, Dan, Jonathon, Robert, John, Jim, Mike, John, Debbie, Ken, Steve, Sam, Sue, Sarah, John, Calin, Jeremy, and Linda. All members of our (lower Sunshine Coast) communities, all with similar stories to David and all now safely housed in supportive housing in Sechelt.

We know we have a housing crisis on the Sunshine Coast. The rental housing situation has been classified as severe by Canadian Rental Housing. 52% of Sunshine Coast renters spend more than 30% of their

income on housing. 40% of women 50 years old and older say they are not safely housed according to our Hidden Homelessness Report. In 2018, 1192 calls were made to our crisis line from women seeking support, resources or access to a transition house.

We have an incredible opportunity here on the Coast to address our severe housing crisis. BC Housing along with other levels of government are making funds and property available to support the development of a variety of affordable housing options. While we know and hear that close neighbours can be concerned about safety, property values, density and parking, we also know that research and experience do not support these fears.

A literature review by CARMHA (Centre for Applied Research in Mental Health and Addiction) at SFU indicates that property values have not declined after supportive housing is established in a neighbourhood.

The report looked at 18 different studies and found there was no significant effect on either the sales price of homes in the neighbourhood or on the number of sales.

A 1996 study by the Housing Ministry in BC looked at the impacts of seven social housing projects on neighbouring property values. The study demonstrated that social housing projects have not had a negative impact on the sale prices of nearby homes based on a comparison with a control area.

In 25 years of experience with supported housing in Vancouver, there is no evidence that there has been an increase in crime in areas around these buildings.

Finally in 2017, a supportive housing development was proposed near an elementary school in Marpole. The project was approved and 18 months later the fears that neighbours had were unfounded. In fact, this project has brought the community together.

“We’ve had neighbours and residents celebrate things like Chinese New Year or Christmas, Thanksgiving and Easter together. There has been a lot of support around food provision. We have seen them really well integrated into the community,” says Abi Bond, the city’s Managing Director of Homelessness Services and Affordable Housing Programs.

Bond continued to report on the success of the community members who are living in the housing. “Housing like this, which is affordable and provides 24/7 staffing support, really saves people’s lives. The people who moved in here came from the street or shelters and we have seen real successes. Some of the tenants have been able to return to work, some of them have enrolled in school and we are seeing people reconnect with primary healthcare, getting mental and physical issues addressed for the first time in a long time. It’s a life-changing opportunity.”

As a service provider on the Sunshine Coast, SCCSS appreciates the multiple projects the Town of Gibsons is supporting to address affordable housing in our community. Thank you for your leadership in ensuring our community is a welcoming, supportive and healthy place for everyone.

Sincerely,

Catherine Leach
Executive Director
Sunshine Coast Community Services

Tracy Forster

From: Tracy Forster
Sent: September 3, 2019 12:16 PM
To: 22(1) FOIPPA
Subject: RE: Low Barrier Housing in Gibsons RCMP building

Good morning 22(1) FOIPPA

Your email was included in the weekly Council reading file dated July 22, 2019 under the header "2019-07 Gibsons Residents re Supportive Housing". That Council reading file was previously received by Council on July 30, 2019 so the reading file is now available for public view on the Town of Gibsons website. Please follow the link below, your email is on page 8:

<https://gibsons.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/2019-07-22-Council-Reading-File-Done.pdf>

It seems I did not remove the July 22, 2019 Council reading file from my September 3, 2019 Agenda items list after I added it to the July 30, 2019 Agenda, which has led to a repeat. Apologies for any confusion.

Have a great day,

Tracy Forster

Administrative Assistant II
Town of Gibsons
604-886-2274

From: 22(1) FOIPPA [mailto:22(1) FOIPPA@gmail.com]
Sent: August 31, 2019 10:28 AM
To: Gibsons General Mailbox <info@gibsons.ca>
Subject: Fwd: Low Barrier Housing in Gibsons RCMP building

Dear Town and Council

I sent this letter to you on July 18, and yet it was not included in the emails attached to your agenda for the Sept. 3 meeting re: the proposed low-barrier supportive housing. Why not? Please see that it gets attached to the package which councillors will consider at the Sept. 3 council meeting, as it is most certainly a response to this project. The fact that it was left out questions your commitment to providing the complete truth to the citizens of Gibsons.
Sincerely - 22(1) FOIPPA, Gibsons, B.C.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: 22(1) FOIPPA 22(1) FOIPPA@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Jul 18, 2019 at 10:50 PM
Subject: Low Barrier Housing in Gibsons RCMP building
To: Simons.MLA, Nicholas <nicholas.simons.mla@leg.bc.ca>, Pam Goldsmith-Jones <pam.goldsmithjones@parl.gc.ca>, Mayor and Council <mayorandcouncil@gibsons.ca>

Dear Nicholas, Pam, and Town Council

Everyone who knows me thinks that I am a bleeding-heart liberal - and yet, even I think that the location of a low barrier shelter 3 properties away from an elementary school and a block and a half from the secondary school is completely inappropriate.

This is NOT nimbyism. I live in Lower Gibsons (Bay area) and would feel fine about such a facility in my neighbourhood. However, after many years of teaching at the secondary school, and having 2 daughters who went to the elementary school, I can see that this is just asking for problems.

Why not put such a facility near the Clinic and Park Plaza Mall? This would be a much more appropriate spot - near amenities, health care, on the bus route, and NOT near any schools.

In fact, think about this for a moment. We have a dire need for rentals for low income families. Why not use this spot for housing for low income families with kids? Then the proximity of the schools would be an ADVANTAGE!

Or use it for low-income seniors, another stressed group in our community. Please reconsider this very ill-conceived idea.

Sincerely

22(1) FOIPPA, Gibsons, B.C.

Gibsons General Mailbox

From: info@gibsons.ca
Sent: September 2, 2019 2:46 PM
To: Gibsons General Mailbox
Subject: New Contact Form submission from Town of Gibsons Website

Name

22(1) FOIPPA

Email

22(1) FOIPPA [@telus.net](mailto:22(1) FOIPPA@telus.net)

Comments

I support the housing project on O'Shea road. Of course, we must provide housing for those in need. statistics (Hans Rosing) show even on a financial basis, it is less costly for a community to support housing and sustenance for those without, than to ignore them. On compassionate grounds, it is imperative.

Thank you.

22(1) FOIPPA

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From: info@gibsons.ca
Sent: September 2, 2019 9:31 AM
To: Gibsons General Mailbox
Subject: New Contact Form submission from Town of Gibsons Website

Name

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Email

22(1) FOIPPA [@outlook.com](mailto:22(1) FOIPPA@outlook.com)

Comments

Please go ahead with supportive housing on School Road. Everyone deserves a roof over their head. We can tackle any problems as a community.

22(1) FOIPPA
22(1) FOIPPA Gibsons BC

Mayor and Council

From: 22(1) FOIPPA [REDACTED]@live.ca>
Sent: September 2, 2019 6:24 PM
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: Supportive housing

I am writing with support for any help offered to mental illness recovery.
As a parent of a child lost to the opioid crisis, my son had struggled to get help and gave up.
We must change this now.
22(1) FOIPPA.
Gibsons, BC

Regards,
22(1) FOIPPA
22(1) FOIPPA

Gibsons General Mailbox

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@telus.net>
Sent: September 3, 2019 3:51 PM
To: Kirsten Rawkins; Gibsons General Mailbox
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Gibsons Supportive Housing

Hi Kirsten,

Thank-you for your quick and detailed response.

Yes, I know that the market has slowed, but not to this point.

Many buyers have been excited until they hear about this proposal and then they choose to look elsewhere.

The price reductions do not seem to matter. All are excited and then the facility they choose to avoid.

Yes, I hear that if it is like the Sechelt facility, then it is trouble and no one wants it. The police are apparently called frequently to deal with issues there.

It will be at least a 100k loss. I am taking the decline in the market into consideration estimating that amount. Otherwise, it is more.

No one is willing to offer in that location at all.

It will have to be someone willing to put up with the chaos created, as is the case, in Sechelt. No one seems to be wishing to take this on.

Basically, everyone appears to know the current state of the Sechelt same use building.

You have to realize that statistics can be manipulated. When it comes down to it. Would you move your child a few lots down from such a facility?

Is a school in the neighbourhood going to be impacted. I would think so.

I will cc the Mayor and Council at info@ gibsons.com and my realtor, [REDACTED].

Thanks so much Kirsten. I do appreciate your good intentions. This facility just needs to be moved to a more appropriate neighbourhood.

Turning a "good neighbourhood" into "one to avoid" is going to impact the families in this area badly.

If compensation could be an option from the town, then owners can take a loss and move to a safer location. I do not know if that is in the town's budget. I would think 100k for my lot is reasonable.

Thanks again. I appreciate your time and efforts.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: "Kirsten Rawkins" <krawkins@gibsons.ca>
To: "22(1) FOIPPA" <22(1) FOIPPA@telus.net>
Sent: Tuesday, September 3, 2019 3:19:27 PM
Subject: RE: Gibsons Supportive Housing

Hi 22(1) FOIPPA.

The proposed development is the same concept as that on Hightide Avenue in Sechelt.

I am sorry to hear you are affected by the current concern about the project. I understand that there is a lot of uncertainty at the moment, which comes with such an application. Please note that the housing market has slowed significantly across the board in Gibsons in recent months and also that research has shown that supportive housing does not decrease neighbouring property values in the longer term. You are welcome to contact BC Housing for information about neighbourhood outcomes for similar projects around the province.

Kind regards,

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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TownofGibsons>

From: "22(1) FOIPPA" [mailto:22(1) FOIPPA@telus.net]
Sent: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 2:43 PM
To: Kirsten Rawkins <krawkins@gibsons.ca>
Subject: Re: Gibsons Supportive Housing

Hi Kirsten,

Is this the same housing that is in Sechelt?

It has dropped my market value of my property a lot. I am very concerned. My property is now stigmatised due to this.

I have no offers because of this. It has been stated many times that this is the reason.

Thanks so much!

22(1) FOIPPA
[Redacted]

From: "Kirsten Rawkins" <krawkins@gibsons.ca>
To: "22(1) FOIPPA" <22(1) FOIPPA@telus.net>
Sent: Tuesday, September 3, 2019 1:56:00 PM
Subject: Gibsons Supportive Housing

Hi 22(1) FOIPPA,

Thank you for reaching out for information about the supportive housing development planned for 757 School Road.

The following link is a fact sheet for some quick information: <https://gibsons.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Gibsons-School-Rd-fact-sheet-FINAL-v2.pdf>, and you may also find more information through the following broader link on our webpage: <https://gibsons.ca/services/community-development/affordable-housing-projects/749-school-road-project-supportive-housing/> and also through BC Housing's project-specific webpage here: <https://www.bchousing.org/gibsons>. BC Housing has forum where you can ask questions about the proposed facility, which is to be operated by RainCity Housing who are serving the Sunshine Coast community already through a similar facility recently opened this year in Sechelt and their operation of a temporary cold weather shelter in Lower Gibsons over the past couple of seasons.

I hope this leaves you feeling better informed and more comfortable about what is being proposed in your neighbourhood.

Kind regards,

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Mayor and Council

From: 22(1) FOIPPA@telus.net
Sent: August 26, 2019 6:33 PM
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: SPEED BUMPS

DEAR MR MAYOR AND COUNCIL,
WITH CONSTRUCTION PLANNED AT THE END OF SHAW AS WELL AS
OPPOSITE CHRISTIANSON VILLAGE, THE TRAFFIC INCREASE RESULTING FROM CONSTRUCTION
WORKERS DRIVING TO AND FROM WORK WILL BE SUBSTANTIAL HOWEVER THIS IS PROGRESS AND EXPANSION
OF THE TOWN IS WELCOME BY MOST RESIDENTS , I AM SURE .
MY CONCERN IS THAT MANY DRIVERS USE O'SHEA AS IF THE ROAD WERE A RACETRACK.
I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT SPEED -BUMPS BE INSTALLED TO FORCE DRIVERS TO SLOW DOWN
AND ARE FORCED TO ABIDE BY THE SCHOOL ZONE SPEED LIMIT CLEARLY POSTED BUT CURRENTLY NOT
OBSERVED BY A LARGE % OF DRIVERS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

22(1) FOIPPA@telus.net

OR 22(1) FOIPPA

Gibsons General Mailbox

From: Prime Minister's Awards / Prix du premier ministre (IC) <ic.primeministersawards-prixdupremierministre.ic@canada.ca>
Sent: August 27, 2019 9:00 AM
To: Gibsons General Mailbox
Subject: Do you know an inspirational educator?/Vous connaissez un educateur inspirant?

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Prime Minister's Awards recipients can receive:

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Consider nominating an educator for a 2020 Prime Minister's Award! Download your nomination package today by clicking on the image above, or visiting our website at

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Vous avez besoin d'inspiration ? Découvrez quelques anciens lauréats des [prix pour l'excellence dans l'enseignement](#) et en [éducation de la petite enfance](#).

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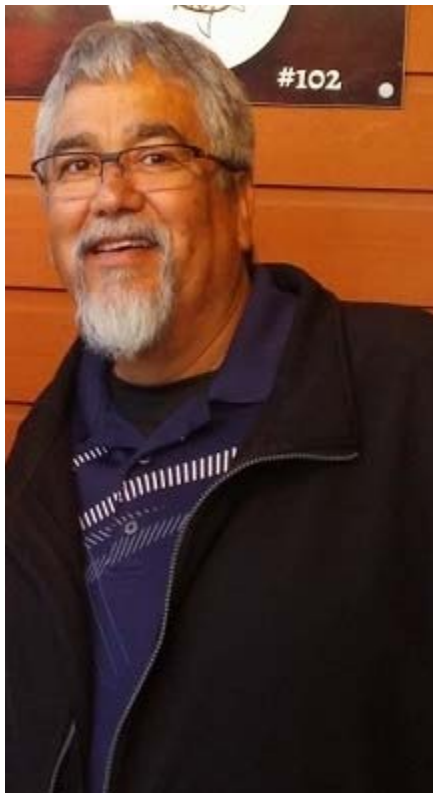
From: Safe Drinking Water Team <safedrinkingwaterteam@gmail.com>
Sent: August 27, 2019 4:00 PM
To: Gibsons General Mailbox
Subject: Pumps, Valves and Bearings

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Greetings from Safe Drinking Water Team,

This month, Deon Hassler will answer questions about pumps, valves, and bearings.



Deon Hassler, Circuit Rider Trainer, File Hills Qu'Appelle Tribal Council

Q: There is a pinging sound coming from a pump, what could be causing this?

A: This could be caused by air cavitation in the pump impeller assembly, by a damaged impeller, by mineral or other debris in the pump impeller, or by air in the well piping or water supply piping. The water systems operator should check that the pump motor and pump assembly bearings and mounts are in good condition and should replace these if they are worn.

Q: What is the primary purpose of pressure-reducing valves between water system pressure zones?

A: The main purpose is reducing incoming water pressure for the area of houses on that part of the distribution waterline. Other names of the valve are pressure regulator, pressure sustaining valve, or singer valve.

Homeowners do not want water pressure that is too high coming into their homes as it can create plumbing issues and cause unnecessary stress on appliances like dishwashers and clothes washers.

Q: How does an operator inspect valves to determine whether they are holding properly?

A: The operator can test that the valves are holding properly by slightly closing off the discharge valve as pressure builds up. The operator should hear the pressure-reducing valve open and discharge. On some systems, there is a sight glass on the discharge lines.

Q: How often should grease-lubricated bearings be regreased after initial full-service operation?

A: Always grease bearings according to manufacturer's instructions. Too much grease volume in a bearing cavity will cause the rotating bearing elements to begin churning the grease, pushing it out of the way, resulting in energy loss and rising temperatures. Remember that overgreasing bearings can cause the electrical motor to overheat!

Deon is eager to answer more of your questions. So, feel free to hassle the Hassler! Send an email message to safedrinkingwaterteam@gmail.com with any and all questions you have regarding drinking water treatment!

Kind Regards,

Safe Drinking Water Team

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From: Cecilia Garcia <Cecilia.Garcia@scrd.ca>
Sent: August 27, 2019 9:31 AM
To: Cecilia Garcia
Subject: News Release - Return to Stage 2 Water Conservation Regulations



News Release

Return to Stage 2 Water Conservation Regulations

Sechelt, BC —August 27, 2019—Effective immediately, and until further notice, the Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) has declared a return to Stage 2 water conservation regulations for all SCRD water users south of Pender Harbour. All those on the Pender Harbour water system remain at Stage 1 until further notice.

Thanks to community diligence in conserving water and the several rain events since early July, Edwards and Chapman lake levels are now suitable to support Stage 2 water conservation regulations.

The long-range forecast calls for a continuation of the current summer temperatures through at least the second half of September. Despite this expected continuation of the current summer weather, it is not anticipated that a return to Stage 3 water conservation regulations would be required this year if the current water conservation efforts by the community continues. Thank you for adhering to Stage 2 Water Conservation Regulations.

Staff will continue to monitor and respond to unforeseen changes in the supply and demand situation and will revise the water conservation regulations stage accordingly.

The following regulations apply at Stage 2:

LAWNS:

Lawn watering is **not permitted**.

TREES, SHRUBS OR FLOWERS:

- Sprinklers or soaker hoses can be used two days per week on Thursday and Sunday for even numbered addresses from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and on Wednesday and Saturday for odd numbered addresses from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
- Hand held hoses with spray trigger nozzles, hand held containers or micro/drip-irrigation can be used anytime.

FOOD PRODUCING PLANTS AND TREES:

- Sprinklers or soaker hoses can be used two days per week on Thursday and Sunday for even numbered addresses from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and on Wednesday and Saturday for odd numbered addresses from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

- Hand held hoses with spray trigger nozzles, hand held containers or micro/drip-irrigation can be used any time.

COMMERCIAL FOOD PRODUCING FARMS:

- Commercial food producing farms paying a metered rate for water are exempt from Stage 2 regulations.

WASHING VEHICLES OR BOATS:

- Permitted with container, hand-held hose with spray trigger nozzles, or commercial car washes.

WASHING SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAYS, WINDOWS OR EXTERIOR BUILDING SURFACES:

- Permitted only for preparing surfaces for painting or paving and for health and safety.

Filling swimming pools, spas, garden ponds, or fountains is permitted.

SCRD staff will continue to patrol neighbourhoods on a regular basis to enforce regulations and to deliver educational materials. Complaints are also investigated.

Help conserve your drinking water supply by following these regulations. For more information, contact the SCRd at 604-885-6806 or the Town of Gibsons 604-886-2274. Visit www.scrd.ca/Sprinkling-Regulations for more details.

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Gibsons General Mailbox

From: Plastics ENV:EX <Plastics@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: August 29, 2019 3:56 PM
To: Plastics ENV:EX
Subject: Provincial Plastics Policy and Engagement

RE: Action on Plastics – Website and Policy Consultation Paper

On July 25, 2019 Environment and Climate Change Strategy Minister, George Heyman, launched a province-wide, public engagement on the topic of reducing plastic waste.

The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy is inviting you to provide feedback on new policy opportunities and proposed amendments to the Recycling Regulation of the *Environmental Management Act* by September 30, 2019 to address plastic waste.

Visit the Clean BC Plastics Action Plan [website](#) to read the [Policy Consultation Paper](#) and learn more about the solutions being considered. Instructions on how to provide comments are provided in the Policy Consultation Paper. A [news release](#) is also available.

Further details on the webinars being conducted for stakeholders, on the policy paper and proposed revisions to the Recycling Regulation of the *Environmental Management Act* will follow shortly.

Overview

Government is proposing action in four connected areas to reduce plastic pollution and use less plastic overall:

1. **Bans on single-use packaging:** Determining which types of plastic packaging to phase out altogether, as well as any necessary exemptions, such as those for health, safety and accessibility to keep products available for the people that need them.
2. **Dramatically reduce single-use plastic in landfills and waterways:** Requiring producers to take responsibility for more plastic products, ensuring more single-use items like sandwich bags, straws and cutlery get recycled.
3. **Plastic bottle and beverage container returns:** Expanding the deposit-refund system to cover all beverage containers – including milk and milk-substitutes – with a 10-cent refundable deposit, keeping millions more containers out of landfills and waterways.
4. **Reducing plastics overall:** Supporting effective ways to prevent plastic waste in the first place and ensuring recycled plastic is re-used effectively.

Share the Policy Consultation Paper

Please forward this correspondence to organization and association members and others who may wish to comment on the proposed changes. The ministry welcomes all suggestions.

Alternatively, you may wish to include the following in your forthcoming newsletter or circular for your members:

Do you have any thoughts on how we can reduce plastic waste in B.C.?

The government of B.C. wants your opinion on a range of possible solutions it's considering.

Just fill out the quick survey before September 30: www.cleanbc.ca/plastics

And help to set our province on a path to a more sustainable future.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to receiving your feedback.



Environmental Standards Branch
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

We are engaging on how to best reduce plastic waste; [have your say here!](#)

Gibsons General Mailbox

From: Sunshine Coast Regional District <info@scrd.ca>
Sent: August 29, 2019 9:14 AM
To: Gibsons General Mailbox
Subject: 2019 September Coast Current

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Pender Harbour Aquatic and Fitness Centre reopens on September 7

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Transit Schedule Change

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COMMUNITY
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Don't Miss Your Chance To Join Our Fall Campaign Co-Operative Ad Opportunities

This Fall, we're excited to offer a number of subsidized co-operative ad opportunities alongside an SCT branded advertisement promoting fall travel to the region. Spaces in the following publications/outlets are available this Fall:

Vancouver Sun

September 7th Issue, single page spread

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October 10th Issue

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Three Sunshine Coast Tourism Consumer Newsletters

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If you have any questions or would like further information, contact our Member Engagement Coordinator, Lauren Stanton-Nixdorf, anytime at lauren@sunshinecoastcanada.com.

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Media Relations Season Is Heating Up!

As the end of the summer season approaches and the weather is beginning to cool down, the Sunshine Coast media season is starting to heat up. We have

two fall press trips in the works and a handful of individual media visits taking place as well.

The first fall press trip takes place on the North Sunshine Coast and is sure to be a hit with the media! We will explore the charming Historic Townsite in Powell River before arriving in Lund for a two-night stay at the recently renovated Lund Resort. Other highlights of the trip include getting out on Desolation Sound with Terracentric Adventures on a zodiac tour as well as spending some quality time with a Cultural Ambassador from the Tla'amin Nation. We have an editor coming from AMA Insider (AB) as well as Boulevard Magazine (BC) and a freelancer from California who has several great outlets such as 7x7.com, Edible Vancouver and Westjet's UP Magazine.

Our second fall press trip is on the South Coast and is a pre-tour to the annual Travel Classics Media event which takes place in Whistler this year. Travel Classics is a boutique networking conference for major magazine editors and writers and one of the most important travel media events in the world. It is so exclusive that only editors, writers and a small handful of the larger destination marketing organizations can attend. While Sunshine Coast Tourism is not eligible to attend we were offered an opportunity to submit a proposal to host a press trip before the event. Our itinerary submission, which stars a trip to Princess Louisa Inlet/Chatterbox Falls and a stay at West Coast Wilderness Lodge, was a favourite amongst media and the four spots were immediately snapped up. The attendees get an added bonus of a scenic flight to the media event in Whistler with our very own Sunshine Coast Air. We can't wait to see the results of these amazing press trips.

Cheers to all our hosting members and awesome ambassadors for stepping up to represent the Sunshine Coast.

Happy Labour Day!

The District Of Sechelt Wants To Hear From You

The District of Sechelt is holding an **Open House** *Thursday, September 12, from 12pm - 3pm* to showcase the community facilities that are available for event bookings. Stop by the locations below and join in on the discussions around improvements, pricing and more.

Open House locations include:

- **Rockwood Lodge 5511 Shorncliff Ave**
- **Mission House 4603 Sunshine Coast Highway (in Mission Point Park)**
- **Seaside Centre 5790 Teredo Street**

Also, take the [online survey](#) and tell us how much you would pay to rent these facilities and what amenities or improvements you would like in them.





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Welcome to the OSA's Research Rounds. We seek to both educate and inspire in this monthly compendium of research, publications, commentary and events about seniors in British Columbia and beyond. Please feel welcome to email us feedback and items to share.

Research Rounds



Published August 30, 2019

BRITISH COLUMBIA

[Healthy aging through education](#)

UBC Faculty of Medicine

This article describes the ongoing importance of education in caring for seniors for both the medical profession and family caregivers, as well as the work being done in this regard at the UBC Faculty of Medicine.

[The benefits of and barriers to using a social robot PARO in care settings: a scoping review](#)

BMC Geriatrics

Although there are a growing demand and interest in using social robots in a variety of care settings to support dementia care, little is known about the impacts of the robotics and their application in care settings. This article reviews 29 other papers on the subject and concludes that future research must focus more on the needs of the patient population.

[Upregulation of MIF as a defense mechanism and a biomarker of Alzheimer's disease](#)

Alzheimer's Research & Therapy

This article presents evidence of a link between macrophage migration inhibitory factor (MIF), a protein that also protects the brain from stroke damage, and Alzheimer's disease. These findings suggest that MIF may serve as a defense mechanism to compensate for declined cognitive function in Alzheimer's disease and an increased MIF level could be a potential Alzheimer's biomarker.

CANADA

[Let's Get Real about Person- and Family Centred Geriatric Home Care: A Realist Synthesis](#)

Canadian Journal on Aging

This study investigated the complex mechanisms underlying team-based delivery of person- and family-centred care (PFCC) in geriatric home care. Its findings could inform improvements to PFCC education, best practice guidelines, and more integrated delivery of PFCC in geriatric home care and other team-based care environments.

[Public Inquiry into the Safety and Security of Residents in the Long-Term Care Homes System](#)

The Honourable Eileen E. Gillese, Commissioner

This report, commissioned by the province of Ontario in response to the crimes of long-term care nurse Elizabeth Wettlaufer, provides a series of recommendations aimed at improving Ontario's long-term care system generally and at preventing crimes similar to Wettlaufer's from being perpetrated again.

[Civic participation of older adults: Beyond volunteering](#)

McMaster University

Civic participation can help people keep a healthy, active and engaged life. These benefits can help older adults to build relationships, reduce loneliness and social isolation, and improve their health and quality of life. McMaster University's Optimal Aging Portal has collected a series of resources on the topic, including suggestions on ways for older adults to become involved in their communities and research regarding the most effective ways to assist older adults with their social needs.

[Ensuring Canada's first dementia strategy is not shelved and forgotten](#)

CMAJ

This editorial discusses some of the strengths and weaknesses of Canada's recently released national dementia strategy, as well as the authors' thoughts on what future commitments will be required in order to ensure that the strategy comes to fruition.

INTERNATIONAL

[Interventions to Reduce Ageism Against Older Adults: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis](#)

AJPH

Research has found a strong link between ageism, in the form of negative stereotypes, prejudice, and discrimination toward older people, and risks to their physical and mental health, but relatively little is known about the effectiveness of strategies to reduce ageism. This article seeks to assess the relative effects of 3 intervention types designed to reduce ageism among youth and adults.

[Smartwatches Can Detect Walker and Cane Use in Older Adults](#)

Innovation in Aging

Assistive devices such as walkers or canes are commonly prescribed to reduce older adults' fall risk. However, older adults may not consistently use their assistive device, and measuring adherence can be challenging due to self-report bias or cognitive deficits. The study sought to determine if "smart" devices could be used to detect whether an older adult was walking with an assistive device, and found that smartwatch classifiers could accurately detect assistive device use, but smartphone classifiers performed poorly.

[Potential Harms of Marijuana Use Among Older Adults](#)

Public Policy & Aging Report

This paper summarizes research on the potential risks and harms associated with marijuana use among the 50+ age group, focusing on cooccurring substance use/misuse and comorbid psychiatric disorders, the risks of driving under the influence (DUI), and injuries.

[The Cognitive Daisy – A novel method for recognising the cognitive status of older adults in residential care: Innovative Practice](#)

Dementia (London)

This paper introduces the Cognitive Daisy, an assessment system created to provide healthcare staff with an instant snapshot of the cognitive status of older adults in residential care. The results of the study provide evidence for the practicality and efficacy of the Cognitive Daisy protocol.

[Assessing Quality for People Living with Dementia in Residential Long-Term Care: Trends and Challenges](#)

Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine

In this article, two complementary approaches to assessing quality in residential long-term care serve are examined. The authors conclude that an opportunity exists to strengthen the emphasis on personally meaning-focused outcomes in quality assessment.

[Quality of life of older persons in nursing homes after the implementation of a knowledge-based palliative care intervention](#)

Age and Ageing

This study aims to evaluate whether a palliative care intervention had any influence on the perceived quality of life of older persons. It concludes that the palliative care approach of the tested intervention prevented unnecessary quality of life decline by supporting sensory abilities, autonomy and social participation among older persons in nursing homes.

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Subject: FW: Disaster Assistance for commercial salmon fishermen and allied workers.

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Subject: Disaster Assistance for commercial salmon fishermen and allied workers.

Please find attached in PDF format the following letter. I am also attaching as background, a letter from the Commercial Salmon Advisory Board to the Ministers. We have had no response from any Federal Minister but have received notification from the Province that they are lobbying the Federal government on our behalf, and I am also enclosing a letter from Provincial Minister Shane Simpson to Federal Minister Patricia Hajdu.

Please copy us if you are able to write on behalf of your commercial fishermen and allied workers.

Thank you
Joy Thorkelson

August 29, 2019
Hereditary Chiefs, Chief Councillors and Councillors
First Nations Governing Councils
Mayors and Council and Regional District Directors
All BC Coastal Communities

By email

Dear Leadership of Coastal Communities,

Re: Climate Change Disaster Assistance for commercial fishery participants

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Thank you for your consideration,

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August 20, 2019

The Honourable Patricia Hajdu
Minister of Employment,
Workforce Development and Labour
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0S5

Dear Minister,

As you are no doubt aware, commercial fishers in British Columbia are facing an extraordinarily difficult year as a result of the poor sockeye salmon returns and fishing restrictions aimed at protecting endangered species including Southern Resident Killer Whales. Because of these challenges, many fishers and shore workers are facing significant economic hardships which impact their families and the communities in which they live.

Similar to the impacts resulting from new measures to support the recovery of the South Mountain Caribou as well as the recent downturn in the forestry sector across the province, British Columbia is also experiencing the impact of challenges facing commercial fishers.

I am writing to encourage you to consider providing targeted assistance to this sector. The federal government has done this in several other cases, notably in assisting those affected by curtailments in Atlantic fisheries.

I strongly urge you to consider providing specific Employment Insurance enhancements aimed at assisting commercial fishers and shore workers in BC's fisheries-dependant communities who will have little or no opportunity to fish this season.

Sincerely,

Shane Simpson
Minister



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Commercial Salmon Advisory Board

August 15, 2019

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Dear Minister Wilkinson and Minister Popham,

Re: Climate change disaster relief

This year's salmon fishery has been a disaster for commercial salmon fishermen of all gear types. Salmon have returned well below DFO pre-season's predictions. Many fishermen geared up in expectation of reasonable fishing opportunities which have turned into meager catches and then into closures for conservation purposes. Other salmon fishermen will have no opportunities at all in their licensed area.

The poor returns are exacerbated by commercial closures intended to conserve southern resident killer whales and interior Fraser steelhead.

The impacts go beyond those to commercial salmon fishermen. Rural and Indigenous coastal communities are hurting. Processing plants and shoreworkers are idle and tendermen and their vessels are tied up.

This is not the fault of the commercial industry. We fish to Total Allowable Catches set by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. Ocean conditions and fresh water habitat are reacting to climate change - but the impacts are being borne by the salmon commercial fisheries and allied workers and the many businesses in our communities that rely on the fishery.

We are calling on the Federal and Provincial governments to supply immediate climate change disaster relief for the 2019 season to commercial salmon fishery participants and our community partners. We would like to meet with you as soon as possible.

We also would like to engage with both governments about long term planning in light of continuing climate change issues so that commercial fishermen can regain viability. In addition, the Fraser blockage north of Big Bar will have serious ongoing consequences to upper Fraser salmon stocks, intensifying future climate change impacts.

Sincerely,
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RE: Action on Plastics – Policy Consultation Webinars

To support the current, province-wide public engagement on the topic of reducing plastic waste, the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy is conducting a series of webinars for stakeholders, on the policy paper and proposed revisions to the Recycling Regulation of the *Environmental Management Act* to address plastic waste.

During each webinar we will review the information contained in the consultation paper and provide an opportunity to ask questions.

Webinar Dates

- Wednesday, September 11 – 10:00 – 11:00am
- Tuesday, September 17 – 10:00 – 11:00am

If you are interested in participating in a webinar, please email your RSVP with the date you plan to attend to plastics@gov.bc.ca.

To review the consultation paper and for more information on how to provide feedback please visit cleanbc.ca/plastics.

Kind regards,



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We are engaging on how to best reduce plastic waste; [have your say here!](#)