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File No: 6140-20-Pebbles

Dear Resident;

This notice is to let you know that on February 3, 2020, some land slippage occurred at two properties on Franklin Road which overlook Pebbles Beach. As a result, we are closing the Town access to Pebbles Beach and have placed barricades and signage at the top of the stairway that leads down to the waterfront.

The current slippage is occurring in the same vicinity as a slide that occurred about 20 years ago. At that time, a short retaining structure was built by a contractor for the residents along the toe of the slope at beach level, to prevent further undermining of the slope by wave action. The most recent slippage is not apparent from below and does not appear to be a result of wave action.

A geotechnical engineer has been retained by one of the affected property owners to provide advice on how to proceed. While addressing the slippage does not fall within Town jurisdiction, the engineer will keep the Town apprised of planned fixes.

Additionally, while there is no sign of recent active slope movement within the Town beach access, stabilization of Town lands and reconstruction of the beach stairway had been previously planned. A related budget item will be presented to Council for consideration as part of the 2020 budgeting process and Financial Plan.

At this time, it is hard to predict how long this beach access might be closed. For further updates, please go to gibsons.ca/pebbles-beach-restoration.

Questions may also be directed by email to myself at dnewman@gibsons.ca.

Sincerely,

TOWN OF GIBSONS

Dave Newman
Director of Infrastructure Services

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