

Community Events - join the celebrations!

Colwood is home to a growing number of events that help us stay active, healthy and connected. Find a complete list and submit your event at www.colwood.ca/events.

Oct 17 ShakeOut BC - Drop, Cover, Hold On!

Have an emergency plan and kit and practice your Drop, Cover & Hold On moves. *Where you are 10:17am*

Oct 26 Pumpkinfest at Meadow Park!

A spooky treasure hunt, face painting, music, food and more! *Meadow Park on Latoria Boulevard, 12:00 to 4:00 pm*

Oct 31 Halloween Bonfire at the Fire Hall

Hot dogs, hot chocolate, treats, music and prizes by the bonfire! *Colwood Fire Hall 6:30pm to 9pm*

Dec 5 Colwood Christmas Light Up

Reconnect with friends and neighbours over music, crafts, treats and hot chocolate as you wait for Santa to arrive on the fire truck. *Colwood City Hall, 6-8pm*

Council will consider offering additional events throughout the holiday season. Watch for updates at www.colwood.ca.



Thanks for another summer of fun at the beach!

The people make the party! We are grateful to everyone who came and enjoyed food, music and fun at the beach in Colwood where we enjoy city living in seaside style.



Special thanks to our community-minded Colwood business sponsors who helped make summer beach events possible:

[Island Junk Solutions](#) | [Creative Chameleon](#) | [Tim Horton's Colwood](#) | [Gillis Plumbing](#)
[Colwood Dental Group](#) | [Tone the Zone Fitness](#) | [Coast Collective Art Gallery](#)
[Eagle Rise Animal Hospital](#) | [DaxTech IT Solutions](#) | [WildPlay Element Parks](#)

Community Connections

West Shore Parks & Recreation
1767 Island Highway, 250-478-8384

Juan de Fuca Public Library
1759 Island Highway, 250-940-4875

School District 62
3143 Jacklin Road, 250-474-9800

West Shore Child, Youth & Family Centre
345 Wale Road, 250-391-4320

Pacific Centre Family Services Association
324 Goldstream Avenue, 250-478-8357

Juan de Fuca Seniors (55+) Association
1767 Island Highway, 250-474-8618

Coast Collective Art Gallery
318 Wale Road, 250-391-5522

Branch Drop-Off Dates

FIRST AND THIRD SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH

September 7 and 21
 October 5 and 19
 November 2 and 16
 December 7 and 21

Council Meetings

SECOND & FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH 7PM

September 9
 CANCELLED September 23 for UBCM
 October 15 and 28
 November 12 and 25
 December 9

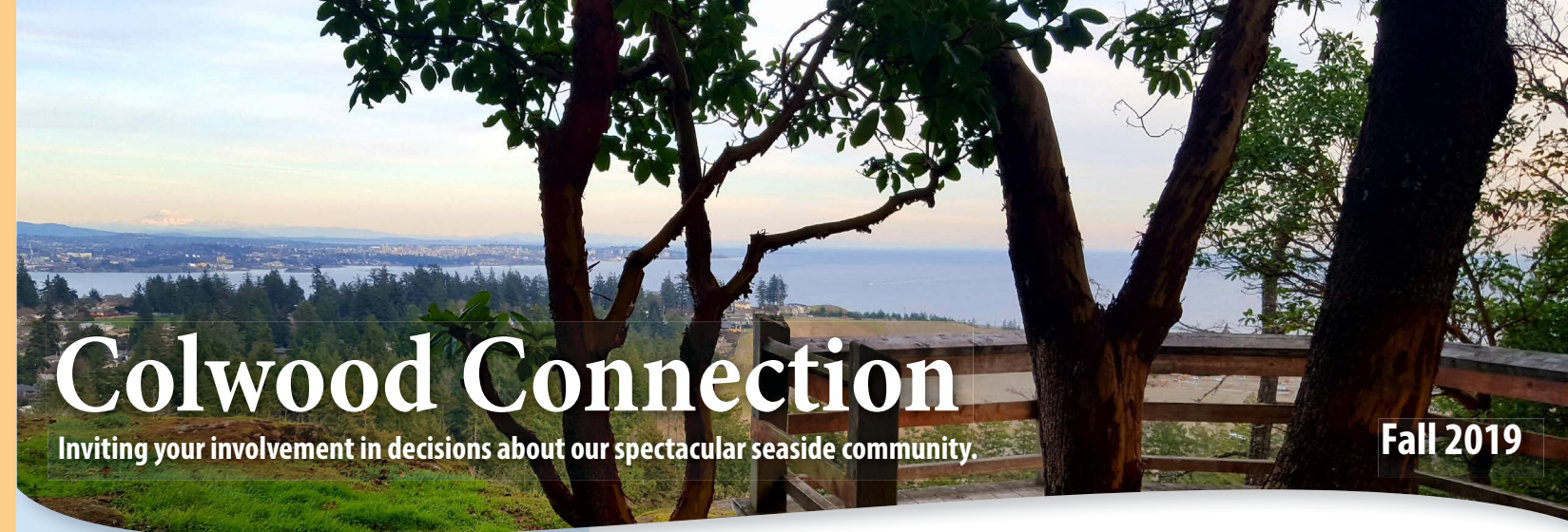
Committee of the Whole

SCHEDULED ON THE FIRST & THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH 6PM

City Hall Closures

Thanksgiving - October 14, 2019
 Remembrance Day - November 11, 2019
 Christmas Closure - December 23 to January 2

Dates may be subject to change after publication. Please confirm all dates at Colwood.ca



Colwood Connection

Inviting your involvement in decisions about our spectacular seaside community.

Fall 2019

Colwood Calendar Photo Contest

With your help, we are creating Colwood's first photo calendar.

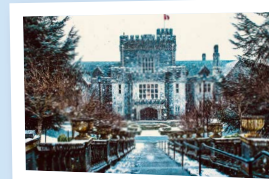
The calendar will celebrate the beauty of our surroundings throughout the year.

Each month during 2019, we've put out the call for photos of locations in Colwood.

Pictured here are some of the photos selected for the 2020 calendar.

Submit your own images and vote for your favourites at:

www.colwood.ca/CalendarContest



Have you ever looked at your city and said: "I have ideas!"

Introducing a new way to help shape the future of Colwood.

Colwood Council and staff want to provide as many ways as possible for you to have your say about decisions that affect you and your neighbourhood.



Let's Talk Colwood is an online site where you will be able to share your ideas on a wide range of topics.

Your input will be included in reports to Council along with related data and information to help them make informed and durable decisions that reflect the needs and wishes of the community as a whole. Ongoing updates will allow you to see how your input is being considered.

Topics you care about.

Some of the topics of discussion over the coming year could include: Transportation Planning, a Parks & Trails Master Plan, Boulevards & Beautification, a Master Plan for the Waterfront and Creating an Area Plan for the Corners District bordered by Wale Road, Goldstream Avenue and Sooke Road.

Sign in and speak up.

Anyone can view the Let's Talk Colwood site. To share your ideas you'll need to complete the simple sign in. All you need is your name, email, age group and postal code.

Let's talk, Colwood. Have a look at letstalkcolwood.ca!



We love to hear from you.

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What's building around town? A few examples...

Colwood Town Centre

Allandale Lands - Veterans Memorial Parkway near Sooke Road - The owner is preparing the site for development. Details have not been confirmed about what development is planned. The current zoning allows for a range of Mixed Employment uses.

Colwood Corners, Sooke Road - Construction is well underway on the first four commercial and residential buildings on the site. Work is expected to progress quickly on the first buildings now that the parkade concrete work is complete.

342 Wale Road - In late 2018 the Province announced \$24M in funding for new housing on this site. Construction is underway on 124 apartments in a 6 storey building.

These are big decisions that will shape how people live, enjoy and move around Colwood in the future.

Council and staff have asked the owners/applicants for more technical details to inform decision making.

This includes:

Absorption studies to help assess the types and quantity of new homes and businesses that best suit Colwood.

Traffic studies to illustrate how the cumulative proposed density will impact all road users and propose transportation solutions.

Parks and open space plans describe how parks will work to meet the needs of users and have a clear plan for the ongoing maintenance.

Shoreline erosion and slope stability assessments to guide the type and location of waterfront amenities and public spaces, and how the City will remain adaptable to a changing climate.

Hearing from you: Watch for opportunities to learn more and provide input at open houses hosted by the developers, City engagement opportunities and at Colwood Council meetings.

www.colwood.ca/lookoutlake

Royal Bay / Royal Beach / Latoria

Royal Bay Latoria South - An application to rezone the lands to the South of Latoria Road, including "the Commons" commercial area, is expected to come to Council this fall.

Royal Beach, Latoria Road - Seacliff Properties has indicated that they intend to host a third round of public open houses to share their latest plans and gather input from the community.

Olympic View, Latoria Road - The developer hosted open houses in January to present the updated area plan for new homes on the property surrounding the golf course. The first phase of construction is scheduled to begin in 2019/2020.

www.colwood.ca/featuredevelopments

Corners District Area Plan

- ▶ **If you could design Colwood's town centre, how would the streets, sidewalks + boulevards look?**
- ▶ **Would shops have a 'big box' or a boutique feel?**
- ▶ **What would make it a place where you would want to spend time?**

Property owners in Colwood's town centre are interested in enhancing the use of their lands.

Colwood's Official Community Plan (OCP) envisions Colwood Corners as a destination for working, shopping and socializing in welcoming public spaces.

Creating a detailed area plan will provide the opportunity to get specific about how the community wants this area to look and function. It will give property owners clear direction and certainty when they are ready to build or attract new investors.

Learn more and watch for ways to provide input.

www.colwood.ca/towncentreplan

Taking a hard look at how we move around Colwood



Several questions will be resolved:

- ▶ **What is the plan for the intersection of Latoria and Veterans Memorial Parkway?**
- ▶ **Will Metchosin Road and/or Latoria Road be expanded to accommodate increasing vehicle traffic?**
- ▶ **How will walking, cycling, transit and ferries be leveraged to reduce traffic?**

The City has been planning for growth in the Royal Bay area since the gravel pit ceased operations and the lands were purchased for development.

The new network of roads in Royal Bay are being built and paid for by the developers based on the City's road design standards, which are established through Council to meet community needs.

Colwood is now at a critical decision point as Council considers the rezoning of the Royal Beach property and the remaining Royal Bay lands.

Density decisions today will impact the number of people and cars we need to plan for in the future.

Integrated traffic studies are being prepared now by the Royal Bay, Royal Beach and Olympic View transportation consultants, based on the City's Terms of Reference. Watch for a report on the studies to be presented to Council and for public input in the coming months.

www.colwood.ca/transportation

Colwood is perfectly positioned for success with exceptional natural areas, great momentum toward community improvements, and the opportunity to evolve thoughtfully.

~ Mayor Rob Martin

Ensuring the safety of Lookout Brook Dam

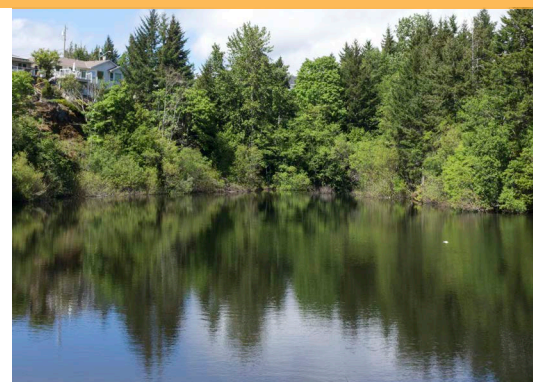
Did you know there is a dam at Lookout Lake?

Lookout Lake is a popular spot for swimming and fishing. Most people don't think about the dam that holds the lake in place. It was built in 1958 by a private forestry company.

A 2017 assessment required by the Province found that action is required to ensure the dam meets current safety standards and will protect people in the event of a major earthquake.

Colwood Council has resolved to move forward with upgrading the dam. Council considered several options presented in a technical report. They have directed staff and consultants to refine designs and cost estimates and submit a grant application to offset the cost of the upgrades. The detailed project, along with the outcome of the grant application will be presented for Council consideration as part of the 2020 budget process.

www.colwood.ca/lookoutlake



Got photos of the Lookout Lake area in the 50's?

We would love to see your photos and hear your stories about the building of the dam and the creation of the lake.

Because the dam was built by a private forestry company before the City of Colwood was incorporated, there is limited information available about the design and construction of the dam.

If you have historical photos of the area prior to 1958, or images of the dam being built, we would love to see them. Your artifacts may provide valuable information for the consultants working on the dam.

Email Sandra Russell at srussell@colwood.ca.

Parks & Trails Master Plan

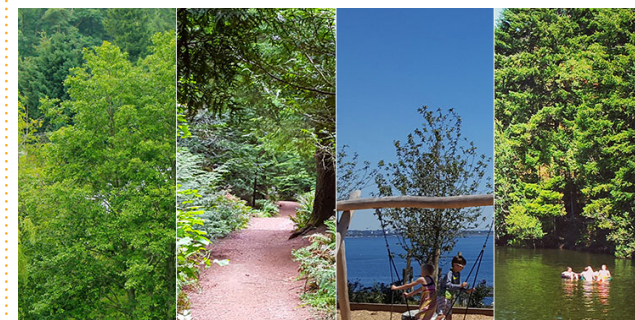
In 2020 Colwood will engage citizens in the creation of a Parks Master Plan.

We'll be asking for stories about how you use Colwood parks, ideas to increase your enjoyment of parks, and suggestions for enhancements.

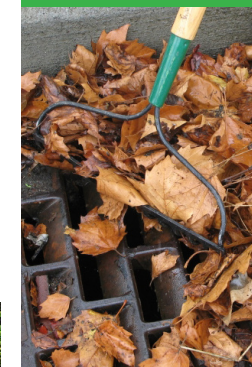
Your input will help Council understand residents' needs and expectations as they make decisions about parks & recreation.

We look forward to hearing your stories and ideas!

www.colwood.ca/parks



The City is beginning its seasonal storm drain clearing program.



We are grateful for your assistance in keeping drains near your property clear of debris.

Planning for plantings: Adding beauty + interest to Colwood streets

Colwood is growing, and many new roads and landscaped boulevards are being built and paid for by developers according to City standards and requirements.

Every inch of new landscaping comes with new maintenance costs for the City. Council must make decisions about the budget and resources required to maintain boulevards.

This discussion provides the opportunity to consider the landscaping and beautification of other high visibility locations on major routes in Colwood.

Is enhancing landscaping on major routes important to you?

Would boulevard gardens at major intersections build your sense of pride in your community?

Would you be comfortable with a portion of your property taxes being applied to beautifying City streetscapes?

Watch for more details and a call for input in 2020.

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