

## Community Events - don't miss a beat!

Colwood is home to an 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](http://www.colwood.ca/events).

### Apr 15 Easter Egg Hunt - Meadow Park in Royal Bay

Outdoor fun & treats for children  
Meadow Park in Royal Bay, 2-4 pm

### Apr 28 & 29 Colwood Spring Clean Up

For a small fee, drop off everything from appliances and car parts to carpet and wood waste.  
Colwood City Hall, 8:30am - 4pm

### May 7 Emergency Preparedness Fair

Emergency vehicles, safety village cars, fire spray demos and more. Juan de Fuca Recreation, 11-3



### May 14 Mother's Day Paint-In

Treat Mom like a queen at Hatley Castle on Mother's Day - open air market, musical entertainment, and activities for kids.

Hatley Castle in Colwood, 10am-3pm



### May - Sep Beach Food Fridays & Saturdays

Head to the beach for lunch or dinner from favourite food trucks and live music by local artists! Colwood waterfront near the washrooms noon - 8pm



### Jul 1 Canada Day at Fort Rodd Hill

Celebrate Canada Day at the lighthouse! Enjoy the picturesque site along with music, food, arts and crafts and more. Fort Rodd Hill, 10am-6pm



### Jul 15 Eats & Beats at the Beach

Colwood's biggest beach party! Live local musicians, favourite food trucks, a beach market, paddling expo, and more. Colwood waterfront



### Jul 21-23 Rock the Shores

West Shore Parks & Recreation hosts Vancouver Island's biggest rock music festival. It's family friendly and tons of fun! Get all the details at [www.rocktheshores.com](http://www.rocktheshores.com)

### Sep 17 Colwood Seaside Festival

Free horse drawn carriage rides, historic ghost tours, live music, puppet shows, heritage artisans, paint-in & more. Fort Rodd Hill & Fisgard Lighthouse 11am-4pm



Watch for more events!

We're working on events that bring music, markets and movies into local parks.  
Keep an eye on [www.Colwood.ca/Events](http://www.Colwood.ca/Events).



We love to hear from you.

We want to make it easy for you to have a say in decisions that make Colwood a vibrant, connected community that we all take pride in. Check your city website at [colwood.ca](http://colwood.ca) for ways to share your ideas, and get involved. Subscribe at [Colwood.ca/subscribe](http://Colwood.ca/subscribe) and follow @CityofColwood on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram. [www.colwood.ca](http://www.colwood.ca) | 3300 Wishart Road | Colwood, BC | V9C 1R1 | 250.478.5999

## Community Connections

### Colwood City Hall

3300 Wishart Road, 250-478-5999

### 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

345 Wale Road, 250-478-8357

### Juan de Fuca Seniors (55+) Association

1767 Island Highway, 250-474-8618

### Coast Collective Art Centre

318 Wale Road, 250-391-5522

## Branch Drop-Off Dates

FIRST AND THIRD SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH

January 7 and 21

February 4 and 18

March 4 and 18

April 1 and 15

## Council Meetings

SECOND & FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH

January 9 and 23

February 14 and 27

March 13 and 27

April 10 and 24

May 8 and 23

## City Hall Closures

Good Friday - April 14, 2017

Easter Monday - April 17, 2017

Victoria Day - May 22, 2017

# Colwood Connection

Inviting your involvement in decisions about our vibrant waterfront community



Winter 2017

## Your ideas are Making Waves

Thousands of ideas have been gathered for the future of Colwood. But what's everybody saying?

Over the last four months, there have been lots of ways to share ideas - talk back events, sounding boards in local shops, an online survey, mobile booths, meetings with students, parents, seniors, businesses and developers, and the all-day Big Ideas Fair. Below is an overview of themes we're hearing.



**Walkable village centres with shops and homes** Colwood Corners, Royal Bay, the Allandale lands and Sooke Road at Kelly Road were all marked as possible future centres. Some recurring ideas include: more shops, offices and light industry, walkable connections, outdoor seating, landscaping, sports and play areas.

**Streets that prioritize walking, cycling and transit** Themes include sidewalks and cycling lanes on major routes, improved walkability between neighbourhoods and along the waterfront and working with provincial and regional partners on commuter options such as dedicated bus lanes, rail or rapid transit.

**Development that fits into the natural environment** Input focused on protection of trees, forests, hillsides, creeks, watersheds, the bird sanctuary, heritage sites, oceanfront areas and views. Many responses support slightly higher density development in town centres, with a gradual transition into residential neighbourhoods.

**A vibrant waterfront with boardwalks and natural areas** Input suggests that people strongly value Colwood's access to the ocean and natural waterfront areas, and would like to see improved walkability. The idea of a boardwalk connecting Royal Bay to the lagoon area has come up often, along with a waterfront village at Royal Bay.

Next step: Develop the plan together. Watch for updates at [Colwood.ca/MakingWaves](http://Colwood.ca/MakingWaves)

September - December 2016

1

Outline priorities & bold ideas for Colwood

January - February 2017

2

Develop the plan together

March - November 2017

3

Review & finalize the plan



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## Colwood Corners plans move forward

Colwood Corners is owned by Onni Group from Vancouver. Here are some highlights from the latest plans they have submitted for the property:

### By the numbers

Phase 1 includes eight buildings between one and six stories high.

It will include 276 residential rental units and approximately 14,200 sq. metres of commercial space.

Phase 2 includes two additional residential buildings with a total of 201 rental units.

### Building Design

Sophisticated exterior elements (colours, materials, lighting and glazing).

Roofline angles and treatments to enhance the look and feel.

Existing London Drugs building will be updated with consistent design.

### Emphasis on pedestrians

Enhanced pedestrian areas with attractive seating, landscaping, lighting and design details.

New bike lane and landscaped boulevard on Sooke Road adjacent to Colwood Corners.

Outdoor seating and open spaces with a children's play area.

Connections to the Galloping Goose Trail.

## What's building in Colwood

**Colwood Corners, Sooke Road** - A development permit is being prepared and Onni hopes to begin construction this year.

**Royal Bay, Latoria Boulevard** - Housing and park construction will begin in Latoria North (bordered by Wishart and Cotlow Roads) as well as townhomes and a neighbourhood house on Latoria Blvd.

**284 Belmont Road** - A four-storey rental apartment building with 48 units is in the final stages of approval.

**Pacific Landing, Heatherbell Road** - Construction is progressing for May 2017 occupancy of three condominiums of 4 stories each to provide 33 units.

**Centre for Well-being, Goldstream Ave** - Construction is scheduled for completion in summer 2017 on this two storey Pacific Centre Family Services Association project.

**Olympic View Golf Course, Latoria Road** - The owners have submitted an application for a Phase 1 subdivision for 37 single family lots.

**Business Updates** - Colwood's newest eatery, the **328 Taphouse**, is now open on Wale Road. **Tim Horton's** and **A&W** are both planning updates to exterior facades. Plans are in the works for a **Mr. Lube** on the empty lot next to Wendy's on Wale Road near Island Highway.

Find information about feature developments at: [www.colwood.ca/developments](http://www.colwood.ca/developments)

## New leaders join the Colwood team

**Nikii Hoglund, Director of Engineering & Public Works:** Under Nikii's leadership, Engineering and Public Works teams will focus on maintaining and upgrading sidewalks, parks, roads and sewers, as well as long term infrastructure planning and asset management.

**Brent Molnar, Manager of Development Services:** Brent will lead a team focused on the engineering aspects of development, as well as having a critical role in the City's consistent implementation of development policies being updated in the Making Waves - Official Community Plan.

## More parks planned for Royal Bay

**Royal Bay Beachpark** is now open 7 days a week from dawn until dusk.

**Meadow Park** will open this spring. *Meadow Park North* will continue up the water channel to *Meadow Park Green*, which will have a playground.

**Murray's Pond Park** will preserve the existing pond and forest, with a new pathway around it. *Murray's Pond Connector* will link Murray's Pond Park to Meadow Park.

**North Ridge Forest & Nature Park** will enhance the forested slopes around the perimeter of Royal Bay.



## What's SUP? Try stand-up paddling in Colwood

The Royal Bay team has partnered with Gyro Beach Board Shop to provide a Paddle Shack at the Royal Bay Beachpark. Rent a stand up paddle board and enjoy the Colwood waterfront in a whole new way this summer! [RoyalBay.ca](http://RoyalBay.ca)

“Colwood is setting a course for the future – determining what residents cherish most, and creating places where people love to spend time.”  
~ Mayor Carol Hamilton



## New Water Park coming to Colwood Creek Park

This summer kids will enjoy a new 'splash pad' with water spray toys near the playground at Colwood Creek Park.

Plans were set in motion in 2016 with the installation of water service and purchase of the play equipment.

The project will bring landscaping enhancements, additional seating, and upgrades to the small seasonal pond within the park.

### Generous support from our local Coast Capital Insurance Services Branch

The City received a \$5000 Community Infrastructure Grant for the project from the Western Communities Foundation,

thanks to an application submitted by Andrea Ferrie and her team at Coast Capital Insurance Services in West Shore Town Centre.

### Promoting wellness and social connections

Parks and play areas encourage kids to head outside and be active. They meet other kids, forge friendships and learn to work together through play. These informal gathering places enhance quality of life for all ages, particularly parents, elders and new citizens.

## Colwood Celebrates Canada150

Throughout 2017, Canadians will honour the 150th anniversary of confederation. Colwood residents will join family, friends and neighbours from coast-to-coast in celebrating our great country, its stunning geography, diverse people and unique cultures.



### Celebrate Canada150 with Colwood! | Célébrez Canada 150 à Colwood!

- Visit the Colwood Celebrates Canada150 page for Colwood Canada150 events and activities you can be a part of. [Colwood.ca/Canada150](http://Colwood.ca/Canada150)
- Check out the growing gallery of photos in our Canada150 Photo Gallery and submit your own! [Colwood.ca/Canada150photos](http://Colwood.ca/Canada150photos)
- Don't miss a beat! Join the conversation on social media to hear and share truly Canadian stories. [#ColwoodCelebrates150](https://twitter.com/ColwoodCelebrates150)

## Student art project kicks off Colwood's Canada150 activities

Students from each of Colwood's nine schools have been invited to create Canada150 Art Trees - mixed-media art posters that illustrate an aspect of Canada that is meaningful to them. The City supplied project kits and worked with West Shore Arts Council to provide an art facilitator to work with students.

Once all the projects are complete, the Art Trees will 'go on tour', first displayed at Colwood City Hall, and then as part of an exhibition at the Coast Collective Art Gallery, as well as other venues. [Colwood.ca/Canada150](http://Colwood.ca/Canada150)



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