



# Food Systems

## Objective

- **Improved Local Food System** – To strengthen all elements of the local food system in order to increase access to local, nutritious, safe, and culturally appropriate food.

## Policy Directions – Key Examples

- **Food Production** – Encourage food production in both public and private realms through community gardens, private allotment gardens in new residential and mixed-use developments, edible landscaping (e.g. fruit and seed-bearing plants) in public spaces, bee hives, and more.
- **Food Processing** – Support the establishment of community food processing facilities such as community kitchens, as well as private sector processing facilities such as micro-breweries, distilleries, abattoirs, and other value-add commercial food processors.
- **Food Sales and Access** – Support access to food by encouraging establishment of additional grocers, restaurants, and other food stories throughout Colwood. Support the establishment of a farmer’s market, ideally in a location accessible by transit.

*To review all proposed food system policies, please review the draft OCP available at this event and online at [www.colwood.ca/ocp](http://www.colwood.ca/ocp)*



# Economy

## Objective

- **Leveraging Local Assets** – To find synergies between growth and in meeting the community’s unique cultural, heritage, and environmental values.
- **Economically Attractive Community** – To attract future residents, visitors, jobs, and investment.

## Policy Directions – Key Examples

- **Relocated City Hall** – Possibly relocate City Hall to one of Colwood’s mixed-use centres to support revitalization.
- **Seaside Village** – Pursue opportunities for partnerships in the Seaside Village, such as with post-secondary institutions, or performing arts and culture initiatives.
- **Signage** – Provide gateway and way-finding signage that helps to welcome and orient visitors.
- **Place-Based Cultural Tourism** – Work with partners to develop a regional Cultural Plan to support the further development of arts, culture, recreation, and place-based tourism.
- **Home Occupations** – Maintain support for home occupations in all neighbourhoods across Colwood, while maintaining residential appearance and protecting against disturbance to neighbours.

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