

Key Directions

The WIP builds on a strong foundation of City policy, parks planning, and community consultation and input about the waterfront and the public realm. In particular, the Official Community Plan (OCP) and Parks and Recreation Master Plan (Draft) provide key directions to inform the development of the WIP.



OCP Directions

- Build understanding and seek partnerships with First Nations.
- The waterfront is a stewarded, world-class destination for residents and visitors alike.
- People and nature are exceptionally well connected.
- Colwood is prepared to adapt to a changing world.
- Maintain and regenerate the ecological functions of Colwood's diverse shoreline.

PRMP (Draft) Waterfront Vision

- The treasured public waterfront is iconic and balances resilience to climate change and sea-level rise, respect for the environment, and a vibrant destination for activity and cultural events in the region.

PRMP (Draft) Directions

- Continuous multi-use pathway from Lagoon Beach to Royal Beach.
- Soft-shore (Green Shores) restoration
- Tree planting, ecosystem, and riparian enhancement
- Design adaptation for sea level rise (SLR)
- Celebration of Indigenous and cultural heritage
- Consideration for high demand for private vehicle access
- Improved parking, including EV charging, bike parking, and E-bike charging
- Washroom improvements and consideration of additional washroom location at the bridge end of the peninsula
- Accessible beach access points such as seasonal mat installation for wheel access
- Amenity improvements such as public art, seating areas, picnic areas, viewpoints, potable water access, outdoor performance space, seasonal concession/ food vending opportunities

