

Community Associations Liaison Committee (CALC)**Meeting Agenda**

Thursday September 21, 2023

3 - 4:30 p.m.

Location: UVic, Michael Williams Building, Room 110

University of Victoria:

Mike Wilson – Director, Campus Planning and Sustainability

Melissa Donaldson – Executive Director, Facilities Management

Stephanie Raymond – Community & Government Relations

Kirsten Lauvaas – Associate Director, Public Affairs

Julie Potter (co-chair) – Associate Director, Community & Government Relations

Community Associations:

Barry Andruschak (co-chair), Cadboro Bay Residents' Association

Joan Wenman, Gordon Head Community Association

Chris Bartlett, Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association

Gayla Baranieski, Mt. Tolmie Community Association

Ryon Bateman, Mt. Tolmie Community Association

Meralin Young, Camosun Community Association

Regrets:

Jennifer Vornbrock, Executive Director, Community & Government Relations

Bill Trott, Community Association of Oak Bay

Trevor Barry, North Quadra Community Association (representing SCAN)

1. **Welcome** (Julie Potter)
2. **Review and Approval of Agenda** (Julie Potter)
Approved
3. **Review and Approval of June 2023 Minutes** (Julie Potter)
Approved
4. **Facilities Management Update** (Melissa Donaldson)
 - The District Energy Plant, which opened in 2019, provides heat and hot water to 32 buildings across campus. Work is being done in partnership with BC Hydro to replace a gas boiler with an electric boiler.
 - Work continues on the National Centre for Indigenous Laws and Fraser building renovation, with completion planned for fall 2024. The team is currently working on art procurement for the new centre.
 - Sngequ House opened in September. It features a mix of single-person dorm rooms and pod communities with shared kitchen and living spaces. The two new student housing buildings provide 783 beds for students.
 - UVic recently purchased an electric van for its fleet.
5. **UVic Strategic Plan** (Julie Potter)
 - UVic recently launched its new [Strategic Plan](#).
 - The plan was built from the input of thousands of staff, students, faculty, alumni, donors, community

members, external leaders.

- The focus is on four priorities: [?etal nāwəl | ÁTOL,NEUEL](#) | Respecting the rights of one another and being in right relationship with all things; [People, place and the planet](#); [Culture of change and transformation and partnering for a shared future](#).
- Annual implementation plans, accountability and activity reports will be developed to execute the plan.

6. **UVic Campus Planning and Sustainability Update and Discussion** (Mike Wilson)

- The capital plan will be going to the Board for review in a few weeks.
- Plans for the development of the [Ian Stewart Complex](#), are underway. The team is in the early planning stages. There will be opportunities for community engagement as early as this fall. Future engagement opportunities will be shared with CALC once confirmed.
- Earlier this year, the federal government announced \$2.4 million investment towards active transportation at UVic. Projects are moving ahead including work on McGill Road and the Gabroila Road Pathway. These improvements will make it more safe for pedestrians and cyclists (more information can be found [here](#), in UVic's Campus Cycling Plan).
- The Greater Victoria Green Team has been very active. TD donated approximately 100 shrubs that were planted by volunteers in Mystic Vale.
- The university conducts a bi-annual traffic survey each fall to track all the transportation modes coming into UVic. Data is used to identify modal split, determine how full the parking lots are and help identify ways in which the university can encourage more people to use active transportation.

7. **Roundtable Reports** (facilitated by Julie Potter)

Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association, Chris Bartlett

- The Association met earlier this week. This was their first meeting since prior to the summer break.
- The restaurant at the Cedar Hill Golf House has re-opened after being closed for several years.
- Developments in the neighbourhood have currently stalled.
- Two music in the park events took place this summer at Rutledge Park. Both were very successful.
- Two members of the Traffic and Safety Committee recently walked Cedar Hill Cross Road with the Mayor and Councillor Teale Phelps Bondaroff. The committee is trying to raise more awareness about the congestion and excessive speeding along Cedar Hill Cross Road. Many large delivery trucks use the road.
- The speed limit has been reduced to 40 km / hr. Some members of the Traffic and Safety Committee would like it to go down to 30 km / hr.
- Cam Scott, Manager of Community Planning for the District of Saanich, will be attending the October meeting and providing an update on the Quadra McKenzie study.

Camosun Community Association, Meralin Young

- Housing proposals have been approved by the District of Saanich. One on Shelbourne Street, one on Richmond Road and one on Albany Street. Nothing new has come forward.
- There is currently an application to subdivide Lansdowne Middle School South Campus. The Association is opposing this proposal because of the need for green space in the area.
- Bowker Creek bio-diversity day took place in August at the Kings Community Nature Space to celebrate the Bowker Creek biodiversity corridor. It was a great event organized by the Friends of Bowker Creek.

Cadboro Bay Residents' Association, Barry Andruschak

- The Association is receiving more traffic complaints due to bike lanes and high volume of traffic. Cars can't pull over on Shelbourne for emergency vehicles due to the bike lanes.
- The Association has their AGM next week. Barry is now the new Chair of the Association.

Gordon Head Community Association, Joan Wenman

- There is still construction along Shelbourne Street.
- The townhouse development planned for Tyndall Ave has been approved by Council.
- The University Heights development continues to move ahead. There is concern around the loss of services as there is uncertainty around what services will be re-introduced.
- The Association is feeling the void left by the closure of the Speakers Bureau.

Mt. Tolmie Community Association, Gayla Baranieski and Ryon Bateman

- The District of Saanich worked with the Association to host music in the park at Horner Park in September. It was very well attended.
- The Association will be working with a UVic professor on a writing project about the ecosystem in the area.

Community and Government Relations (Julie Potter)

- Community and Government Relations is looking to start a Finnerty Gardens volunteer program that would help promote the enjoyment of gardens through public education and engagement opportunities.
- If CALC members have ideas to share to help inform the program, please email Julie.

2023 Meetings

December 7, 2023

Proposed 2024 Meeting Dates

March 21, 2024

June 20, 2024

September 19, 2023

December 12, 2024