



Community Associations Liaison Committee (CALC)

Meeting Agenda

Thursday December 8, 2022

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Location: University Club
3800 Finnerty Road
Parking Lot #9

University of Victoria:

Brita Harrison Brooke (co-chair), Community & Government Relations
Mike Wilson, Director, Campus Planning and Sustainability
Denise Helm, Acting Executive Director, Communications and Marketing (regrets)
Kirsten Lauvaas - Associate Director, Public Affairs (regrets)
Melissa Donaldson – Executive Director, Facilities Management (regrets)
Kirsten Brazier – Community & Government Relations
Jennifer Vornbrock – Executive Director, Community & Government Relations (regrets)
Julie Potter – Associate Director, Community & Government Relations

Community Associations:

Barry Andruschak (co-chair), Cadboro Bay Residents' Association (regrets)
Rick Marshall, Community Association of Oak Bay (regrets)
Eric Dahli, Saanich Community Association Network
Joan Wenman, Gordon Head Community Association
Chris Bartlett, Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association
Gayla Baranieski, Mt. Tolmie Community Association
Meralin Young, Camosun Community Association (regrets)

Guests:

Ryon Bateman, Mt. Tolmie Community Association
Leigh Urquhart, Camosun Community Association
Robert XXX, Cadboro Bay Residents' Association

1. Welcome and Introductions (Brita Harrison)

- Noted that this is our first meeting in person since COVID – nice to see people in 3D
- Unfortunately, due to illnesses several people are unable to attend the meeting today and send their regrets
- The exception is Barry Andruschak, who is in Mexico. (Barry phoned in to greet everyone and offer wishes for a wonderful holiday season)

2. **Territorial Acknowledgement** (Brita Harrison)
3. **Review and Approval of Agenda** (Brita Harrison)
APPROVED
4. **Approval of September 2022 Minutes** (Brita Harrison)
APPROVED
5. **UVic Campus Planning and Sustainability Update and Discussion** (Mike Wilson)
 - Completed employee housing survey. 1800 responses were received (pleased with this response).
 - It gives us a better understanding of employee's housing situations.
 - Responses are being tabulated.
 - A report to the Board of Governors in January.
 - Queenswood Campus development is moving forward. Anticipated completion in late summer 2023.
 - Student Housing and Dining – second building still in development. Targeted opening for Sept. 2023 for student move in.
 - Engineering Expansion Project – construction management company to be hired. Anticipate construction of 30 months – completion 2025.
 - National Centre for Indigenous Laws – tree clearing now in progress to accommodate new utilities being installed. Construction mobilization will move forward in the new year. Occupancy late 2024.
6. **Discussion on Update to the Terms of Reference** (Brita Harrison)
 - It has been several years since the TOR were refreshed so we thought we would take the opportunity to see what needs updating.
 - Our goal is transparency and open sharing of information with community associations.
 - Should the co-chair position be for a 2-year term? The committee decided a year's term was too short and that the co-chair role makes more sense as a two-year commitment.
 - Brita will connect with Barry to ensure he is okay staying on for a second year.
 - A website refresh is underway. Past meeting minutes are now posted and can be found [using this LINK](#).
 - Edits to Terms of Reference were discussed. Brita will send a revised version for review and feedback.
7. **Community Association Roundtable Reports**

Mount Tolmie - Gayla & Ryon

- AGM has taken place.
- Looking for new board members – finding new members has been a challenge.
- Gayla will still be representing on CALC for 2023.
- Lots of development continues to take place especially along Shelbourne.
- Trees along Shelbourne will be removed as a part of Phase 3 of the Shelbourne Valley Action Plan.
- During the drought last year Bowker Creek (with headwaters at UVic) changed colour – discussion about what could have happened to cause this.
- Association will be speaking about promoting rain gardens in the area.

Cadboro Bay – Robert

- Polling residents as to their priorities and how the Association can help the community.
- Looking at the role the Association plays in rezoning applications.

- Cadboro Bay Local Area Plan – the last four years have been working on a massive resistance to the densification of Cadboro Bay Village.

SCAN – Eric Dahli

- Asked if there was any update on the “dog field” (Cedar Hill Corner). Mike responded that it is being used by students and faculty. The encroachment issues along the property line have been addressed and the fence building is complete on the Chelsea Place side. There is still opportunity for the community to use the area (a request for use can be submitted to the university.)
- Saanich’s People, Pets & Places plan is being developed.
- New mayor, Dean Murdock, attended the last SCAN meeting and spent a lot of time answering questions.
- Trevor Barry is the new chair of SCAN. Hollis Hodgson is Vice-Chair (they are a planner). This is Eric’s last CALC meeting.

Gordon Head Community Association – Joan Wenman

- Participated in call with Saanich Police to provide feedback into their four-year strategic plan.
 - There are some concerns about DEI in the police service.
 - People want to see the police out in the community at events, etc.
- Recent accident at San Juan and Shelbourne, looking for more lights to be installed, making crosswalks more visible. More education is needed for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles.
- Fraud workshops put on by Saanich Police, will put on more in the coming months.
- Developments continue, some are contentious like on Tyndall.

Quadra Cedar Hill – Chris Bartlett

- Held all candidate’s meeting at Reynolds High School, well attended (standing room only).
- A few UVic speakers have come to present to the association including Dr. Gifford from Environmental Psychology
- Climate Action Group attended launch of pollinator tracking program at Cedar Hill Rec Centre. Their focus is on:
 - Urban food farming
 - Tree inventory pilot project
 - Mapping pollinator corridors (with UVic students)
- Strategic planning session will take place in the new year.
- Lots of developments are moving forward – Quadra.
- Concerns about danger on Cedar Hill Cross Road – the safety here needs to be prioritized.

Camosun Community Association – Leigh Urquart

- Park at Kings Road & Richmond (former BC Hydro land)
 - Public consultation session for parks took place on November 15th – over 60 people attended.
 - Followed by an online meeting with Saanich to discuss the different strategies for parks.
 - Most people wanted the land to be kept natural (no play structures, dog run, etc.)
- Community members participated in a presentation with Amber Walker from community planning during the AGM on Nov 17.
- Hearing on 2859 Richmond Road took place with council, quite contentious – it is the car-free structure.

- No news on hospice development on Richmond Rd, they are currently in a cooling off period, expect a decision in the next few days.
- Still serious flooding problems on Mt Tolmie slope, inadequate storm sewers on that slope.
- November 30 – invasive plant removal

8. Confirm dates of 2023 Meetings (Brita Harrison)

March 16, 2023

June 15, 2023

September 21, 2023

December 7, 2023

CONFIRMED

9. Adjournment & Holiday Refreshments

ADJOURNED