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Town of View Royal to hold by-election on November 18, 2017

On November 18, 2017, View Royal residents will head to the polls to elect one councillor to assume the seat previously held by Heidi Rast, who has relocated to the east coast. The term will end in the fall of 2018 when B.C. municipalities conduct their next municipal elections.

Advance voting opportunities:

- **Wednesday, November 8, 2017: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.**
 - View Royal Town Hall, 45 View Royal Avenue
- **Wednesday, November 15, 2017: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.**
 - View Royal Town Hall, 45 View Royal Avenue

General voting day:

- **Saturday, November 18, 2017: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.**
 - View Royal Elementary School, 218 Helmcken Road



For more information on the candidates visit:

<http://www.viewroyal.ca/EN/meta/new/2017-latest-news/town-of-view-royal-to-hold-by-election-on-november-18-2017.html>



Lawn & Garden Waste Curbside Collection in November



The Town will be collecting lawn and garden waste (grass, leaves, flowers, shrub clippings, weeds and small branches) from the curbside of residential homes this fall on the following dates:

- For residents who get their weekly garbage picked up on **TUESDAYS**, your lawn and garden waste pick-up day will be **SATURDAY, NOV. 4**
- For residents who get their weekly garbage picked up on **WEDNESDAYS**, your lawn and garden waste pick-up day will be **SATURDAY, NOV. 11**
- For residents who get their weekly garbage picked up on **THURSDAYS**, your lawn and garden waste pick-up day will be **SATURDAY, NOV. 18**
- For residents who get their weekly garbage picked up on **FRIDAYS**, your lawn and garden waste pick-up day will be **SATURDAY, NOV. 25**

Residents can put out grass, leaves, flowers, shrub clippings, weeds, and branches for pick up. All items (excluding branches) must be put into recyclable brown paper yard waste bags and must weigh no more than 35 pounds each.

Branches are to be no longer than 3 feet in length, no more than 3 inches in diameter, and are to be bundled and then tied with string in bundles that weigh no more than 35 pounds each.

Bags and branches must be placed at the curbside by 7:00am on the day of collection. Each residence is allowed up to five bags/bundles. Extra decals can be purchased for \$3.00 per bag or bundle at Town Hall.

For more information about this service, or to report a missed pickup, please contact Town Hall at 250-708-2258 or visit www.viewroyal.ca.

Snow & Ice Clearing Reminders – Sidewalks & Roads

With the winter season upon us and the possibility of snowfall and inclement weather, in order to ensure safety for pedestrians, we would like to remind View Royal residents and businesses of our Streets and Traffic Regulation Bylaw No. 609, 2005, which states that:

“Every person being an occupant or owner of any property abutting or fronting upon a portion of a sidewalk shall cause such portion of the sidewalk to be cleared and kept clear of all snow, ice, dirt, litter and rubbish, and shall dispose of the same otherwise than leaving it upon the street.”



We encourage residents to use environmentally friendly ice melting products. Products that are corrosive are not acceptable as they can harm the environment and the sidewalks themselves.

We ask that you kindly help your elderly or handicapped neighbours who may need assistance with snow removal. The Town will make every effort to keep intersections, high-use bus stops and crosswalks clear of snow and ice.

The Town's contractors will salt, plow and clear snow from all the roads within the Town (with the exception of private strata roads).

In the event of a snowfall, we remind residents not to leave their vehicles parked on the travelled portion of the roads so that the snow plows can negotiate the roads and get them cleared as quickly as possible. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

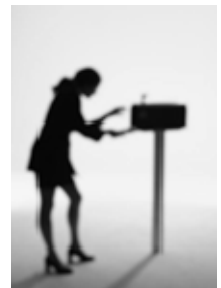
Please push the snow to the *right* of your driveway (facing the road from your home) so that when the snow plow comes by, it does not plow any excess snow across your driveway entrance or private road access.

Please note that in the event of a heavy snowstorm or icy road conditions, our garbage collection contractor, Waste Management, may not be able to service certain customers due to safety or access reasons. Waste Management will collect any missed garbage as soon as they can safely do so. Please provide clear and safe access to garbage totes to ensure uninterrupted service.

Sewer User Fee Notice

The Town of View Royal has mailed the 2017 sewer user fee invoices. Sewer user fee invoices are due Thursday, November 30, 2017. Any balances outstanding will be transferred to arrears property taxes, effective January 1, 2018.

Reminder: Commencing in 2011, Strata Developments with only one water meter received one sewer user fee invoice for the entire Strata complex. Individual unit owners in these Strata Developments do not receive individual invoices as they have in past years. Strata Developments that have a water meter for each strata unit will continue to have the sewer user fee invoices go to each individual unit owner.



Please be advised that the consumption portion of your 2017 Sewer User Fee will be based on November 2016 – April 2017 water consumption. If you experienced a water leak, your 2017 fee will be affected and you may qualify for a leak adjustment. Please visit www.viewroyal.ca to review the leak adjustment policy for eligibility requirements, and keep all records pertaining to the leak. This will help us in assisting you through the adjustment process.

If you have not received your invoice, please contact the Finance Department at 250-708-2270 or finance@viewroyal.ca.

Alien Plant Control Workshop & Work Party

Invasive alien plants such as Daphne (Spurge) Laurel, English Holly, English Ivy and Scotch Broom are threatening rare habitats in View Royal's parks! Your yard could be next! Would you like to learn the most effective ways to help stop those pesky plants from taking over?

Join expert weed killer Chris Junck for a best management practices workshop, and then use your new skills to help control the aliens in Garry Oak Meadows Park during a work party!



Date: Saturday, November 19
Time: 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Where: Garry Oak Meadows Park

Directions: Take Six Mile Road to Lakeside Village; turn onto Presley Place and meet in the parking lot.

- No previous experience required;
- Tools and gloves provided, but bring your favourite loppers or secateurs if you wish;
- Dress for the weather and working around thorny shrubs and wear sturdy footwear;
- Refreshments and snacks provided;
- Children are welcome (must be supervised by an adult); please leave pets at home.

For more information, please contact Chris at: restorevr@gmail.com.



The Town of View Royal Mayor and Council invite you to a Festive Winter Reception immediately following the December 5th Council meeting:

Date: Tuesday December 5, 2017

Time: Immediately following the Council meeting which commences at 7:00pm

Location: View Royal Town Hall, 45 View Royal Avenue

We look forward to having you join us in celebrating the holiday season.