

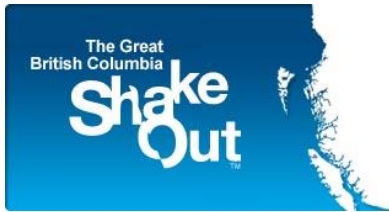


MONTHLY ELECTRONIC UPDATE OCTOBER 2019

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The Great British Columbia ShakeOut



At 10:17 a.m. on October 17, 2019, thousands of British Columbians will “Drop, Cover, and Hold On” in *The Great British Columbia ShakeOut*, the largest earthquake drill in BC history! Everyone is encouraged to participate in the drill wherever you are at 10:17 am on 10/17/2019!

The ShakeOut is our chance to practice how to protect ourselves, and for everyone to become prepared. The goal is to prevent disasters from becoming catastrophes.

For more information and registration, see www.shakeoutbc.ca.



Six Mile Corridor Open House

The Town hired a consultant to study the Six Mile Road corridor from the Island Highway to the Trans-Canada Highway. An initial open house was held in May 2019 to collect feedback from residents regarding traffic flow along Six Mile Road.

The Six Mile corridor study is now complete. The proposed solutions will be presented at a follow-up open house:

DATE: Tuesday, October 29, 2019
TIME: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
WHERE: Town Hall Council Chambers, 45 View Royal Avenue

The public is invited to attend the open house to view the proposed solutions, provide feedback and discuss mitigation options for the corridor.

If you are unable to attend, the study and a feedback sheet will be available following the open house at <https://www.viewroyal.ca/EN/main/town/projects/six-mile-corridor-study.html>.

For more information:

- Engineering Department
engineering@viewroyal.ca
250-708-2258

Sewer Utility Invoice Notice

The Town of View Royal will be mailing the 2019 sewer utility invoices mid-October. Sewer utility invoices are due Friday, November 29, 2019. Any balances outstanding will be transferred to arrears property taxes, effective January 1, 2020.

Reminder: Strata Developments with only one water meter receive one sewer utility invoice for the entire Strata complex. Individual unit owners in these Strata Developments do not receive individual invoices. Strata Developments that have a water meter for each strata unit will have the sewer utility invoices go to each individual unit owner.

Please be advised that the consumption portion of your sewer utility invoice is based on the previous November to April water consumption. If you experienced a water leak, your utility invoice 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.



Access your sewer utility account information online and sign up for electronic billing! Log in securely to your account to find out if we've processed your payment, check your balance, access historical transactions, view or print your invoice and manage invoice delivery preferences. Access Online Services through the link at www.viewroyal.ca and use your unique access PIN and account number shown on your invoice.

A friendly reminder that the homeowner or occupant of the home is responsible for the proper use of the sewer system. Please help keep the municipal sewer system working as designed and maintenance costs to a minimum by NOT flushing these items. They have been causing our sewer main pumps to be jammed repeatedly, resulting in increased maintenance costs to YOU the user:



- Grease and oil
- Cooking fat
- Cat litter
- Paint
- Wipes (all kinds)
- Chemicals
- Glass
- Human or pet hair
- Underwear
- Mop heads
- Feminine hygiene products
- Construction material (drywall dust, grout, etc.)
- Dental floss
- Cotton swabs
- Condoms
- Diapers
- Flammable substances
- Elastic bands
- Cleaning cloths (Swiffer, J-Cloths)
- Abrasives (sand, steel wool, etc.)
- Paper towel
- Hand or beach towels
- Plastic bags

If you have not received your invoice by October 31, 2019, please contact the Finance Department at 250-708-2270 or finance@viewroyal.ca.

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 View Royal 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. 2**
- For residents who get their weekly garbage picked up on **WEDNESDAYS**, your lawn and garden waste pick-up day will be **SATURDAY, NOV. 9**
- For residents who get their weekly garbage picked up on **THURSDAYS**, your lawn and garden waste pick-up day will be **SATURDAY, NOV. 16**
- For residents who get their weekly garbage picked up on **FRIDAYS**, your lawn and garden waste pick-up day will be **SATURDAY, NOV. 23**

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 <https://www.viewroyal.ca/EN/main/municipal/lawn-garden-waste.html>.

Did You Know?

October is Canadian Library Month! All month long, libraries and library partners across Canada are raising awareness of the valuable role libraries play in Canadians' lives. The annual theme for 2019 is "A Visit Will Get You Thinking".

The Town is a member of the Greater Victoria Public Library (GVPL), which gives View Royal residents access to the ten GVPL branches across the region. You can sign up for a library card in person at any branch or use the [GVPL online form](#).

For branch locations, hours of operation and other information, visit the GVPL website at <https://www.gvpl.ca/> or call 250-382-7241.

Volunteer Opportunity with View Royal STRIDE



OPPORTUNITY TO VOLUNTEER IN THE COMMUNITY YOU LIVE

View Royal STRIDE

Seniors Transportation Reliable
Independent Dedication Enjoyment

Pacific Centre Family Services Association is looking to build a pool of volunteer drivers to help with a NEW pilot project to provide accessible transportation for seniors to medical appointments and assistance with grocery shopping.

This project will focus on a volunteer driven, reliable, low cost transportation, one time per month service for those seniors residing in the Town of View Royal.

As a Volunteer Driver with STRIDE you will play an integral part in helping to alleviate the stress often associated with getting out to these much needed medical and social connections, ensuring they receive the necessary medical attention and have access to healthy foods.

Volunteer Drivers are required to have a reliable vehicle, be fully licensed with a current and clear driving record and three million liability. Drivers are expected to be patient, comfortable working independently, in good health and able to assist seniors with lightweight items such as a foldable walker with room to store during transport. A commitment to a minimum of 6 months providing two to three transports per month can make a big difference in a senior's wellbeing.

Volunteers will be reimbursed for their mileage

Volunteers will be asked to complete an application which includes two professional references, police records check, vehicle inspection and drivers abstract. Once the completed application is received, an interview will be conducted followed by an orientation and training prior to any service provision.

For more information and to apply, please call Dori at 778-677-3540 or email dbodman@pcfscsca.org.

Upcoming Meetings

November 5, 2019	Council Meeting 7:00pm, View Royal Town Hall
November 12, 2019	Committee of the Whole Meeting 3:30pm, View Royal Town Hall
November 19, 2019	Council Meeting 7:00pm, View Royal Town Hall

The meeting duration will vary according to the agenda. Council agendas are normally posted on the Friday prior to the meeting on the [Agendas & Minutes](#) page of the website. [Click here for more information about Council Meetings.](#)

Upcoming Invasive Species Removal Work Parties

We're looking for volunteers to help remove invasive plants from our parks! No experience necessary. We'll provide the training, tools, gloves and refreshments. Please wear work clothes and sturdy footwear. Children are welcome but must be closely supervised by an adult caregiver. No pets please.



Date:	Time:	Park/Area:	Meeting Place:
Sat. October 19	1:00pm – 4:00pm	Burnside/Watkiss	Burnside Rd. entrance.
Sun. October 20	1:00pm – 4:00pm	Nursery Hill Park	Nursery Hill Dr., new south entrance.
Fri. October 25	1:00pm – 4:00pm	Burnside/Watkiss	Burnside Rd. entrance.
Sat. October 26	1:00pm – 4:00pm	Nursery Hill Park	Nursery Hill Dr., new south entrance.
Sun. October 27	9:45am – 1:00pm	Lund Road	Intersection of Lund Rd. and Thetis Vale Cres.
Sat. November 2	1:00pm – 4:00pm	Beaumont Access	Intersection of Beaumont Ave. and Kerwood St.
Sun. November 3	1:00pm – 4:00pm	Garry Oak Meadow	Nursery Hill Dr. south entrance.

For more information:

- **Chris Junck**
[Habitat Restoration Project](#)
restorevr@gmail.com

View Royal Garden Club – General Meeting

The View Royal Garden Club will hold a general meeting on Wednesday, October 23 at 7:30pm at Wheeley Hall (behind Esquimalt United Church), 500 Admirals Road in Esquimalt.

The topic this month is entitled “Deer?!...Oh Dear!” The presentation will be by Master Gardener Jennifer Kolot, who has a special interest in growing food and has been gardening since she was a child growing up in rural Alberta. She will discuss strategies for deer resistance and planting deer proof plants.

As well, a judged mini show will feature exhibits from members' gardens and there will be a sales table with plants and garden items. There is a drop-in fee of \$5 for non-members.

For more information:

- **Bonnie Bacica, View Royal Garden Club Publicity Coordinator**
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Phone: 250-388-6994



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