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### **Westshore Public Alert Notification System (PANS)**

View Royal residents are invited to sign up for the improved <u>Westshore Public</u> Alert Notification System (PANS).

During emergencies or disasters, PANS will keep you informed of emergency information and how to stay safe.

Sign up to receive critical alerts for major emergencies and disasters (ie. tsunami, earthquake, wildfire) and/or lower severity alerts (ie. traffic, weather). You can also choose to receive notifications for more than one location such as your home, office, cottage, family, friends, etc.



Alerts can be delivered by text, phone call, email, and/or smartphone app.

If you previously signed up to receive PANS notifications (ie. prior to April 2021) you will need to re-subscribe to the new platform in order to continue receiving alerts. Existing PANS subscribers who do not re-subscribe before July 26, 2021 will no longer receive emergency alerts.

Sign-up for the new platform today!

For more information, please contact:

• View Royal Emergency Program 250.479.7322 emergencyprogram@viewroyal.ca

## Chilco Park Off-Leash Dog Area Survey



The Town is seeking input from View Royal residents to determine if a secure off-leash dog area is desired at Chilco Park. Complete our quick survey and give us your thoughts!

Chilco Off-Leash Dog Area Survey

The survey is open from May 28 to June 13, 2021.



### **2021 Property Taxes**

The 2021 property tax notices have been mailed out to property owners in View Royal. Property owners who have not received their tax notice by the second week of June should contact the Finance Department at <a href="mailto:finance@viewroyal.ca">finance@viewroyal.ca</a> or 250-708-2270.

Property taxes are due **Friday, July 2, 2021.** As of 12:01am, July 3, 2021, any unpaid 2021 property taxes or unclaimed 2021 Home Owner Grants will have a 10% penalty added to the outstanding balance.

There are many payment options available: in person or the drop box at Town Hall, mail, and online or telephone banking. The Town also has a program for property owners to pre-pay their annual property taxes.

#### Associated Links:

Property Taxes
Claim Home Owner Grant
Property Tax Deferment
Property Tax Prepayment Plan

## Go By Bike Week

Go By Bike Week is May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 6<sup>th</sup>! There are \$15,000 in prizes to be won and ALL rides count! Did you ride to the park? grocery store? with your family? Log those rides for fabulous prizes!

Register today at www.gobybikebc.ca!



# **Upcoming Meetings**

June 1, 2021	Council Meeting 7:00pm, Live Webcast
June 8, 2021	Committee of the Whole Meeting 3:30pm, Live Webcast
June 15, 2021	Council Meeting 7:00pm, Live Webcast

Council and Committee of the Whole meetings are currently held via live webcast only. For more information on how to attend and/or participate in a meeting, please visit the Live Webcast Meetings page on the Town's website.

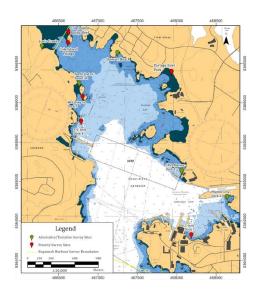
The meeting duration will vary according to the agenda. Agendas are normally posted on the Friday prior to the meeting on the <u>Agendas</u>, <u>Minutes & Videos</u> page of the website. <u>Click here for more information about Council Meetings</u>.

## **Upcoming Olympia Oyster Surveys within Esquimalt Harbour**

The Olympia Oyster is a species of Special Concern (Species at Risk Act, Schedule 1) and has historically been noted as being present in Esquimalt Harbour (the Harbour). Olympia Oyster surveys occur at a selection of sites where habitat is suitable as a part of the Department of National Defense's (DND) ongoing efforts to accomplish stewardship goals for the Harbour.

Olympia Oysters are primarily found in the lower intertidal and upper subtidal zones and in estuaries and saltwater lagoons. They can also occur on mud-gravel tidal flats, in tidal channels, bays and sounds, splash pools, near freshwater seepages, or attached to pilings or the underside of floats and they require hard substrate (rock, shell, anthropogenic structures) for settlement. Locations within the Harbour with similar physical characteristics have been prioritized as survey sites and are based on information obtained during the 2020/21 harbour-wide surveys, desktop review, and subject matter expert input.

Surveys will occur from May 27 to 29 between 8:00am – 2:00pm. Sites will be accessed via a zodiac and all work/personnel will be limited to the shoreline.



DND will be coordinating further survey work within the Harbour this year. Work will be conducted by Dillon Consulting Ltd and Archipelago Marine Research Ltd.



Looking for more highlights of significant activities of the Town?

**Check out the monthly CAO Update!** 

May 11, 2021 - CAO Update