

# MONTHLY ELECTRONIC UPDATE MARCH 2023

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# Citizen Budget Engagement Tool

As part of Council's ongoing commitment to transparency and engaging with residents, the Town of View Royal is inviting you to provide your input and voice your opinions on the annual budget prior to final adoption of the 2023-2027 Financial Plan (the Plan) using the Citizen Budget engagement tool (Citizen Budget).

# Why get involved with Citizen Budget?

- Get an estimate of the municipal portion of your 2023 property taxes, based on the proposed financial plan currently being considered by View Royal Council;
- Become better informed about the services funded by your property taxes and user fees;
- Give feedback to View Royal Council about the services the Town provides;
- Influence the allocation of limited public resources to the services that matter most to you!

### Launch the Citizen Budget Engagement Tool

The deadline to participate is Sunday, April 2, 2023.

For more information:

 Dawn Christenson, Director of Finance 250-708-2270 <u>finance@viewroyal.ca</u>



#### Lawn & Garden Waste Disposal

For lawn and garden waste clean-up this spring, View Royal residents are encouraged to take advantage of two options for disposing of your yard waste:

- Yard and Garden Waste Transfer Station (formerly Canteen Composting) located at 605 Canteen Road is open Tuesday-Sunday 8:00am- 5:00pm. For more information, please call 250-883-8683.
  - <u>Fees</u>: no user fee for residents of View Royal and Esquimalt. Proof of residency is required. Residential decals for vehicle windshields are available at the facility for those residents who use the facility regularly.
- Ellice Recycle located at 524 David Street is open Monday-Friday 7:30am-5:00pm and Saturday-Sunday 8:30am-5:00pm. For more information, please contact the facility by phone at 250-386-4342 or visit www.ellicerecycle.com.
  - <u>Fees</u>: regular depot rates for yard and garden waste apply.

In order to allow for physical distancing, both the Yard and Garden Waste Transfer Station and Ellice Recycle will be limiting vehicle access to only two (2) vehicles in the yard at a time.

For more information:

 Engineering Department Website: <u>https://www.viewroyal.ca/EN/main/municipal/lawn-garden-waste.html</u> Email: <u>engineering@viewroyal.ca</u> Phone: 250-708-2258



### Active Transportation Network Plan Open House – April 3

The Town of View Royal will be holding an open house on Monday, April 3, 2023, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm, to present its first-ever Active Transportation Network Plan (ATNP) to the public. The ATNP is in its draft form and will be finalized following this closing round of engagement. Stakeholders and members of the public will have the opportunity to review and discuss the plan with Town staff and the project's consultant team.



### **CRD Fix a Leak Week**



# It's the perfect week to track down leaks.

Undetected leaks around your home can add up to a lot of household water waste every year.

**Fix a Leak Week**, running March 20-26, is the perfect time to find and repair leaky toilets, faucets and other fixtures.

To help get you started, the CRD is offering F**REE leak detection kits** that include dye tablets, a faucet aerator, a shower bag to measure flows and a household water efficiency guide.

Lots of FREE leak detection kits still available at Town Hall!

# View Royal Offers Heat Pump Top-Up for CleanBC Rebate Program

Heat pumps are the most efficient and climate-friendly heating and cooling system on the market today. Switching to an electric heat pump provides yearround comfort, better indoor air quality, and produces 97% less greenhouse gas emissions than natural gas/oil heating AND you could save 40-75% on your annual heating bill if converting from oil to an electric heat pump!

In addition to the heat pump rebates available through the CleanBC Better Homes and Home Renovation Rebate Program, the Town of View Royal

offers a \$350 municipal top-up to participants that switch from a fossil fuel (oil, natural gas, or propane) heating system to an electric air source heat pump.

Visit <u>betterhomesbc.ca</u> to learn more about upgrading to a heat pump, rebates, financing and supports available to help you make the switch.

### Get Connected with the Town of View Royal

The Town of View Royal wants you to get connected! Sign up to keep informed about the latest news, local events and municipal updates.

### EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS:

Visit <u>https://www.viewroyal.ca/EN/meta/notifications.html</u> to sign up to receive emails about the latest updates. You can choose to receive emails about any/all of the five topics including:

- <u>What's New</u>: includes latest news releases, articles
- <u>Public Notices</u>: includes traffic advisories, development notices, closures
- Events: includes details on upcoming local events
- <u>Newsletters</u>: includes the Monthly e-Updates and View Royal News
- <u>Agendas and Minutes</u>: includes agendas and minutes for Council and Committee of the Whole

### SOCIAL MEDIA:

- <u>Town of View Royal Facebook Page</u>: Visit <u>www.facebook.com/townofviewroyal</u> and 'Like' our page to receive posts about latest updates.
- <u>Town of View Royal Twitter Page</u>: Follow <u>@TownofViewRoyal</u> on Twitter to receive tweets about latest updates.





### View Royal Thinks Globally Acts Locally

Town of View Royal Council voted unanimously to endorse the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty, joining the growing number of communities globally advocating to prevent the expansion of coal, oil and gas by ending all new exploration and production.

Just as nuclear free cities played a critical role in calling for the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, councils around the world can help build momentum towards a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty.

BC is proud to be top of the leaderboard globally for the number of endorsements for a region!

To see the full list of endorsements, visit https://fossilfueltreaty.org/endorsements.



# **Upcoming Meetings**

	<b>Council Meeting</b> 7:00pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast
April 11, 2023	<b>Committee of the Whole Meeting</b> 3:30pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast
	<b>Council Meeting</b> 7:00pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast

Meetings are held in person in Council Chambers as well as virtually via Live Webcast.

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.

For information, visit <u>Council Meetings.</u>



Looking for more highlights of significant activities of the Town?

Check out the monthly CAO Update!

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