



MONTHLY ELECTRONIC UPDATE MAY 2023

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2023 Property Taxes

The 2023 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 finance@viewroyal.ca or 250-708-2270.

Property taxes are due **Tuesday, July 4, 2023**. As of 12:01am, July 5, 2023, any unpaid 2023 property taxes or unclaimed 2023 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](#)



Financial Plan Insights App

On May 9, 2023, Council approved the 2023-2027 Financial Plan.

Explore the projects, sources of funding, and operational budget details in the Financial Plan Insights app. The app provides links to the complete financial plan document and other helpful information.

[Launch Financial Plan Insights](#)



Have your say in B.C.'s largest population health survey

Public Health has launched the third round of the [SPEAK population health survey](#).

The survey is open to adults aged 18 years and older and asks about physical and mental health, as well as social and economic well-being. The results will help support programs and initiatives to improve the health of your community.

[Participate now](#)

Regional Health Authorities, First Nations Health Authorities and the BC Centre for Disease Control are hoping people living in every part of British Columbia participate. This year, they are particularly interested in hearing from racialized communities, people living in rural parts of the province, people with children or young adults in their lives, men aged under the age of 35, people aged 75 and older, and people with lower incomes and education.

Please consider participating to help public health understand your community's health and well-being needs. Once you participate, please share with your friends, loved ones, and network so their experiences are also captured. Please help support those who may need help with completing the survey.

The SPEAK survey is available in English, French, Simplified and Traditional Chinese, Punjabi, Farsi, Arabic, Spanish, Vietnamese, and Korean.

Learn more about the survey bccdc.ca/SpeakSurvey



Go By Bike Week



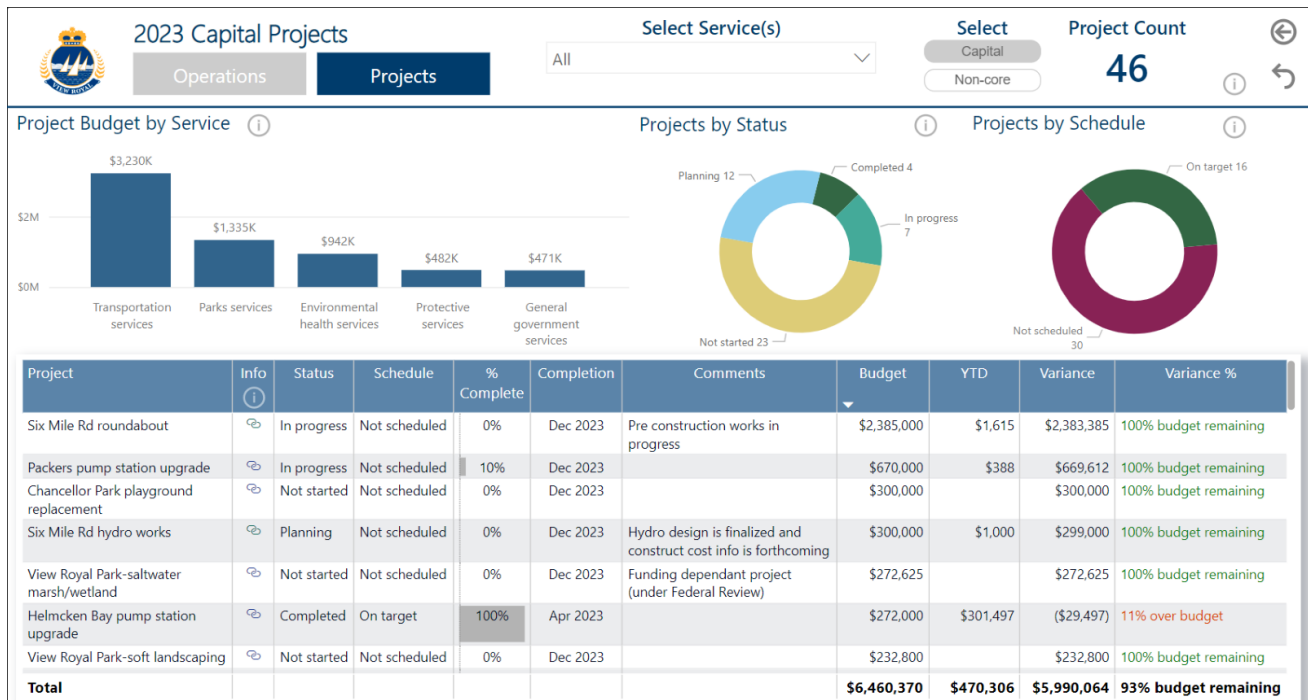
Go By Bike Week is May 29 to June 4, 2023! Lots of prizes to be won and ALL rides count! Did you ride to the park? grocery store? with your family? Log those rides for fabulous prizes!

Register today at www.gobybikebc.ca!

Updated! - Budget Variance Dashboard

The Budget Variance Dashboard is an easy way for citizens to access detailed information about the Town of View Royal’s finances with the Budget Variance Dashboard.

This month, the dashboard got an update to make it even easier to interact with the tool to explore up to date financial data and project metrics for both capital and non-core projects.



[Launch the Dashboard](#)

Vote on the Helmcken Road Trestle Mural Project

View Royal is looking for your input into an upcoming mural project to be painted on the trestle walls along Helmcken Road. The mural will enliven the neighbourhood and communicate our sense of place – showing others what View Royal is all about.

Proposed as a Council initiative, the public art mural project was supported by Council in both the 2022 and 2023 Financial Plans. This project is to enhance community aesthetics, provide additional art in the Town, and discourage graffiti.



Results of the poll will be reported to Council after it closes on May 31, 2023 and Council will then select the mural theme. View Royal will be soliciting submissions on this theme from artists, and Council will select the winning mural design after considering input from the Community Development Advisory Committee and others.

For further information on the Helmcken Road Trestle Mural project, please visit: <https://www.viewroyal.ca/EN/meta/new/2023-latest-news/vote-on-the-helmcken-road-trestle-mural-project.html>

Westshore Public Alert Notification System (PANS)

View Royal residents are invited to sign up for the improved [Westshore Public 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.

Westshore Alert



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

[Sign-up for the new platform today!](#)

Contact:

- View Royal Emergency Program
250.479.7322
emergencyprogram@viewroyal.ca

View Royal Fire Department Open House



View Royal Fire Department
OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, June 10, 2023

10:00am to 2:00pm

333 Island Hwy

No On-site Parking Available

Please use alternative modes of transportation such as taking the bus, riding your bike or walking

Come out and meet your Fire Department



Food & Drinks



Hands on Demos



Car Fire & Auto Ex Demos



Upcoming Meetings

June 6, 2023	Council Meeting 7:00pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast
June 13, 2023	Committee of the Whole Meeting 3:30pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast
June 20, 2023	Council Meeting 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 [Agendas, Minutes & Videos](#) page of the website.

For more information about Council Meetings, visit <https://www.viewroyal.ca/EN/main/town/mayor-council/council-meetings.html>.



Looking for more highlights of significant activities of the Town?

Check out the monthly CAO Update!

[May 9, 2023 - CAO Update](#)