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INSIDE VIEW ROYAL

Town of View Royal Monthly e-Update



Have Your Say: Western Gateway Community Corridor

The Town invites you to take part in the next phase of public engagement for **View Royal 2050: Our Future View**, the Official Community Plan update.

This phase focuses on the Western Gateway Community Corridor, the area along Island Highway between the Colwood border and the Atkins Interchange. This key multi-modal route connects to the Blink RapidBus line, the Galloping Goose Trail, and surrounding neighbourhoods.

Three land use scenarios have been created to show different ways this area could grow in the future. Community input will help shape how this corridor evolves to serve residents and the wider region in the years to come.

Have your say before **November 7:**

engage.viewroyal.ca/view-royal-2050

Upcoming Town Hall Closure

Town Hall will be closed on Tuesday, November 11 in observance of Remembrance Day.

Regular business hours will resume on Wednesday, November 12.

Let's take this day to honour and remember those who served.





Watch for Your 2025 Sewer Utility Invoice

The 2025 Sewer Utility Invoices will be issued during the last week of October, with sewer user fee payments due **Monday, December 8**. Residential sewer user fees are based on your water consumption from November 2024 to April 2025.

Please note that the ongoing Canada Post strike could affect the timely arrival of sewer utility invoices, as well as your ability to make payments by mail. To avoid delays, consider registering for Online Services to receive future invoices by email and access your account information anytime.

Through Online Services, you can:

- Confirm if your payment has been processed
- Check your account balance and view historical transactions
- View or print your invoice
- Manage your invoice delivery preferences

Access Online Services on our website using the unique access PIN and account number shown on your invoice.

If you have not received your sewer utility invoice by November 7, please contact the Finance Department for assistance.

Finance Department



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Tour the Town's Most Spooktacular Displays

The nominations are in for View Royal's 3rd Annual Halloween Spooktacular decorating contest. From glowing pumpkins to haunted houses, the town is full of frightfully festive displays.

Take a tour using the online map and get ready to vote for your favourites! Voting for the People's Choice Award opens October 27 and runs until November 2.

Winners will receive a \$50 gift card and bragging rights as one of View Royal's most spooktacular decorators.

For full contest details, visit:

www.viewroyal.ca/halloween





Help Shape the Future of Transportation in View Royal

Getting around View Royal is part of everyday life, whether you are walking to school, biking to a park, catching the bus, or driving to work. As our region continues to grow, it's time to look ahead and plan for the next 10 years.

The Town is updating its Transportation Master Plan (TMP) to improve safety, accessibility, and connections for everyone. The updated plan will help guide future transportation improvements and support walkable neighbourhoods, sustainable travel options, and better transit connections.

Now, we want to hear from you. Share your experiences and ideas about getting around View Royal through our online survey. The survey will help confirm what we've heard so far from the community and identify new issues or opportunities.

You can also use the interactive map to pinpoint specific travel or safety challenges. Whether it's a tricky intersection, a missing sidewalk, or an area that feels unsafe to bike, your feedback will help shape the priorities of the updated TMP.

Have your say before **November 16:**

engage.viewroyal.ca/TMP

What's Next for Transit in Greater Victoria?

BC Transit is refreshing the Victoria Regional Transit Plan for the first time in over a decade. This major planning process will guide how transit evolves across Greater Victoria through 2050.

Residents are invited to share feedback on future routes, infrastructure, and service priorities to help create a modern, accessible, and sustainable transit system.

Take the online survey before 11:59pm on October 26:

engage.bctransit.com





Fall Lawn & Garden Waste Collection Coming to Your Curbside

It's time to tidy up your yard for fall! The Town will be collecting lawn and garden waste from View Royal homes this November.

Collection Schedule:



IF YOUR REGULAR GARBAGE DAY IS:	YOUR LAWN & GARDEN WASTE PICKUP WILL BE:
Tuesday	Saturday, November 1
Wednesday	Saturday, November 8
Thursday	Saturday, November 15
Friday	Saturday, November 22

What You Can Put Out

You can place grass, leaves, flowers, shrub clippings, weeds, and small branches at the curb.

- All items (except branches) must be in recyclable brown paper yard waste bags weighing no more than 35 pounds each.
- Branches must be no longer than 3 feet and no thicker than 3 inches. Tie them securely in bundles weighing no more than 35 pounds each.

Collection Day Details

- Place bags and bundles at the curb by 7:00am.
- Each residence may set out up to 5 bags or bundles. Need to set out more? Extra decals are available for \$3.50 each at Town Hall.

For more information about this service, visit our [Lawn & Garden Waste Disposal](#) page.

Volunteer Work Party: Burnside Watkiss Park

Join the View Royal Habitat Restoration group and the Greater Victoria Green Team for a morning of invasive species removal and habitat care at Burnside Watkiss Park.



Saturday, October 25



9:45am – 1:00pm



Burnside Watkiss Park

Meet on the corner of Burnside Road W and Watkiss Way.

For more details, please contact Chris Junck, Habitat Restoration Coordinator:

restorevr@gmail.com





Meet Ember: FireSmart's Official Mascot

Ember, the FireSmart Fox, helps children and families understand wildland fires in British Columbia. Ember also helps children learn the basics of how to keep their homes and neighbourhoods safe from wildland fire.

Watch [Ember's Story](#) to learn how she is helping children and families take simple steps to help protect their homes from wildland fire. Also, check out [Ember's Den](#) which has tons of activities for parents and teachers to share with their children and students.

Ember is here to help communities like ours become more resilient to wildfire and she's only just getting started. Keep an eye out for Ember at local FireSmart events including the Pumpkin Smash on Sunday, November 2.

For more FireSmart tips and to and book a FREE FireSmart Home Assessment, visit www.viewroyal.ca/firesmart.

Ryan Eason, FireSmart Coordinator



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Halloween at the View Royal Public Safety Building

SAVE THE DATE!

Mark your calendars for a spooktacular night with the View Royal Firefighters Association. Join for Halloween fun with free hot dogs, hot chocolate, sweet treats, and a Haunted House... **if you dare!**

EVENT DETAILS:



Friday, October 31



6:00 – 9:00pm



Public Safety Building,
333 Island Highway



Smashing Pumpkins

Don't toss your pumpkins after Halloween. Bring them to our Pumpkin Smash for a fun, eco-friendly send-off!

EVENT DETAILS:



Sunday, November 2



10:00am – 2:00pm



Public Safety Building,
333 Island Highway



Upcoming Meetings

November 4, 2025
6:00pm

Council Meeting

November 12, 2025
6:00pm

Committee of the
Whole Meeting

November 18, 2025
6:00pm

Council Meeting

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 a full list of upcoming meeting, visit: [2025 Council & COW Meeting Schedule](#).

Engage View Royal

Looking to have your say on Town projects and initiatives? Visit our online engagement platform to share your feedback, explore current consultations, and stay updated on what's happening in our community.

engage.viewroyal.ca

Departmental Update

Looking for more detail about the Town's activities and projects?

Explore the monthly **Departmental Update** for an in-depth look at key initiatives, community updates, and the progress of various programs shaping our town.

Stay informed and engaged with the latest from Town Hall!

October 2025 Update

