

# INSIDE VIEW ROYAL

Town of View Royal Monthly e-Update



## Deadline Approaching: Property Taxes Due July 2

A friendly reminder that 2026 property taxes are due Thursday, July 2. A 10% penalty will be applied to any unpaid taxes or unclaimed Home Owner Grants as of 12:01am on July 3.

If you have not received your tax notice please contact our Finance department at [finance@viewroyal.ca](mailto:finance@viewroyal.ca) or 250-708-2270.

To learn about payment options visit: [www.viewroyal.ca/property-taxes](http://www.viewroyal.ca/property-taxes)

### How to claim your home owner grant

Apply for your home owner grant with the Province online: [Apply online](#) or by phone: 1-888-355-2700.

In order to avoid penalties and interest, apply before the tax due date.

## Summer Hours are Back at Town Hall

Starting Friday, July 3, Town Hall will be shifting to summer hours. We'll be open a little earlier, from 8:00am to 4:00pm, Monday to Friday (excluding statutory holidays).

Whether you're stopping by to ask a question, drop off documents, or just say hello, we're here to help.

Regular hours, 8:30am to 4:30pm, will resume on Tuesday, September 8.





## 2026 Community Satisfaction Survey Now Open

The Town of View Royal is conducting a Community Satisfaction Survey to gather feedback on residents' experiences, priorities, and perspectives on municipal services and life in the community.

Households across View Royal have now received a postcard in the mail containing a unique PIN to complete the survey online. The 10–15 minute survey is being administered by Leger, an independent research firm, and is designed to provide a statistically valid and representative picture of community views.

Your feedback will help inform Council's strategic planning process following the October 17 Local General Election. As a thank you for participating, residents who complete the survey can enter a draw to win one \$500 VISA gift card or one of five \$100 VISA gift cards.

If you have not yet completed the survey, we encourage you to do so. If you have not received your postcard, need an additional PIN for another member of your household, or would prefer a paper copy of the survey, please contact Leger:



[viewroyalsurvey@leger360.com](mailto:viewroyalsurvey@leger360.com)



604-424-1017

For more information, visit:

[www.viewroyal.ca/communitysatisfactionsurvey](http://www.viewroyal.ca/communitysatisfactionsurvey)

## Bring the Neighbourhood Together This Summer!

Summer is the perfect time to connect with neighbours and bring your street to life. Whether you're planning a casual BBQ, a potluck, or a full-on neighbourhood celebration, our **Block Party Toolkit** outlines everything you need to get started.

### The toolkit includes:

- Planning tips and timelines
- Theme and activity ideas
- A handy checklist
- Street use permit info
- Tips for a greener event

Great neighbours make great communities. Start planning your block party today and make this summer one to remember!

[Download the Toolkit](#)





## Celebrate Canada Day 2026 in View Royal!

The Town is hosting a family-friendly Canada Day celebration at the historic Craigflower Manor, in partnership with the **Victoria Highland Games Association**. Enjoy live entertainment, cultural displays, and activities for all ages. Please note there is no on-site parking. You are encouraged to walk, cycle, or take transit to the event.

For more information visit [www.viewroyal.ca/canadaday](http://www.viewroyal.ca/canadaday).

## Schedule of Events

Craigflower Manor | July 1, 2026 | 10:30 AM - 3:15 PM

### Available All Day:

- Manor Tours
- Community Tents
- Scottish Heavy Events Demo
- VRFD Fire Truck Tours
- Food & Beer

### Activities for Kids:

Clown Balloon Maker

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Face Painting

11:30 AM - 2:30 PM

10:30 AM	The Victoria Scottish Gaelic Choir	Outside Stage
11:40 AM	Greater Victoria Police Pipe Band	Outside Stage
12:00 PM	Opening Ceremony MP McLean, MLA Rotchford & Mayor Tobias; Brian Bowman & Jim Maxwell	Outside Stage
12:15 PM	Capital City Youth Pipe Band	Outside Stage
12:15 PM	Kathy White's Highland Dance Academy	Community Centre
12:45 PM	Castle Ceilidh	Outside Stage
1:00 PM	Victoria Chinese Opera Club	Community Centre
1:30 PM	O'Brien School of Irish Dance	Community Centre
1:45 PM	The Hounds of Cuchulain	Outside Stage
2:00 PM	Scottish Country Dancers Audience Participation: Come and learn Scottish country dancing	Community Centre



## Last Chance to Apply for a Community Improvement Grant

Have an idea that could make a positive difference in View Royal? The Town's new Volunteer Community Improvement Grant Program provides funding of up to \$500 for community-led projects that bring people together, enhance public spaces, and support community well-being.

Eligible projects may include:

- Neighbourhood and shoreline clean-ups
- Graffiti removal initiatives
- Emergency preparedness workshops
- Community gardens and food-growing projects
- Little free libraries
- Youth and senior-focused activities
- Community-building events

Funding is available to individuals, community groups, non-profit organizations, and schools. Projects may take place in community spaces such as boulevards, local streets, green spaces, schools, and other publicly accessible areas.

Applications must be submitted online by **June 21, 2026**.

To learn more about the program, review eligibility requirements, and apply online, visit:

[www.viewroyal.ca/communityimprovementgrant](http://www.viewroyal.ca/communityimprovementgrant)

## Get Involved in Local Government

Strong local governments benefit from diverse perspectives and experiences. Whether you're a renter, retiree, parent, young professional, business owner, or new to the community, your voice can help shape View Royal's future.

If you're committed to your community and willing to listen, learn, and lead, consider running for View Royal Council in the 2026 local government election.

Not running? Your vote still matters. Make sure your voice is heard on October 17, 2026.

Learn more at:

[www.viewroyal.ca/elections](http://www.viewroyal.ca/elections)





## Share Your Transportation Priorities with the Capital Regional District

The Capital Regional District (CRD) is developing a new Regional Transportation Plan that will help guide transportation decisions and investments across the capital region over the next 30 years.

To help inform the plan, the CRD is inviting residents to complete an online survey and share their experiences, priorities, and concerns related to transportation. Feedback will help identify regional transportation priorities, better understand how people move throughout the region, and inform future transportation goals and directions.

The survey is open to everyone who travels within the region, including residents, businesses, students, community organizations, and visitors.

The survey is available from June 15 to July 5, 2026.

A summary of feedback received to date and additional information about the project are also available online.

To learn more and participate, visit:

[getinvolved.crd.bc.ca/movingtogether](https://getinvolved.crd.bc.ca/movingtogether)

## Learn Fruit Tree Pruning at Welland Orchard

Interested in learning how to care for fruit trees while giving back to the community? The Welland Orchard Summer Pruning Apprenticeship Program returns this July and August, offering a free opportunity to learn practical pruning skills through hands-on volunteer experience.

Participants will attend a training session on July 13 and volunteer at least three times throughout the summer, working alongside the orchard coordinator to help maintain the orchard.

No previous experience is required.

The program takes place at Welland Orchard, 1217 Stancil Lane, View Royal.

To learn more or register, contact the Welland Orchard Coordinator:

[welland@lifecyclesproject.ca](mailto:welland@lifecyclesproject.ca)



Wildfire Season is Here.  
We are Ready. Are You?

# FREE WORKSHOP WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS

Join us for a **FREE** Wildfire Preparedness  
Workshop on Wednesday June 24th.

Date: **Wednesday June 24th**  
Time: **6:30pm - 8:00pm**  
Location: **333 Island Highway**

Book Your Seat Today!  
[firesmart@viewroyal.ca](mailto:firesmart@viewroyal.ca)  
250.479.7322





# **YOUTH OPEN MIC NIGHT**

**Are you a singer or poet?  
Play an instrument or in a band?  
This is a night for youth ages  
15-18 to hang out and share  
your talents.**

**Friday June 26  
6-8PM  
VRCA Hall**

**This is a free community youth event.  
Honoriums provided for performers.  
Spots are limited - email  
[events@viewroyalcommunity.com](mailto:events@viewroyalcommunity.com)  
to guarantee yours!**

**special thanks to CRD**

Making a difference...together



# VIEW ROYAL ELEMENTARY BOTTLE DRIVE



**SATURDAY**  
**JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup>**  

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**9 AM - 1 PM**



## Upcoming Meetings

July 7, 2026 6:00pm	Council Meeting
July 14, 2026 6:00pm	Committee of the Whole Meeting
July 21, 2026 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 meetings, visit: [2026 Council & COW Meeting Schedule](#).

## Engage View Royal

Visit our online engagement platform to explore current consultations and stay up to date on what is happening in the community.

[engage.viewroyal.ca](https://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 projects shaping our town.

Stay informed and engaged with the latest from Town Hall!

[June 2026 Update](#)

