



DISTRICT OF METCHOSIN

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Council of the District of Metchosin hereby gives **NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING** pursuant to the provisions of the *Local Government Act* to be held on **MONDAY, December 15, 2025, commencing at 6:00 pm**, in the Council Chambers at 4450 Happy Valley Road, Metchosin, BC with regard to the following proposed Bylaws:

Bylaws:

**Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 712, 2025
Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 713, 2025**

Meeting Date and Time:

December 15, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Place:

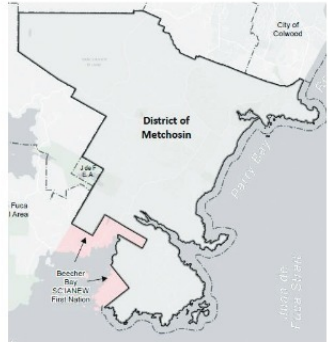
Municipal Hall Council Chambers
4450 Happy Valley Road
Metchosin, BC V9C 3Z3

The entire District of Metchosin is the subject of the proposed Bylaws

Amendments are being proposed to Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 258, 1995 and Land Use Bylaw No. 259, 1995 to address legislative housing requirements under Bill 44 – *Housing Statutes (Residential Development) Amendment Act, 2023*.

The general purpose of Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 712 is to update the housing-related sections to integrate the District's Housing Needs Report for 20-year housing need and housing policies respecting each Provincial class of housing need. Also, to incorporate housekeeping amendments that update housing policies 3.3.11 and 3.3.12 to be consistent with the *Agricultural Land Reserve Use Regulations*, update OCP Maps 1, 3, 6 and 7 to reflect current parcel boundaries, update the legal descriptions and map referenced in section 2.15 to align with current parcel boundaries, delete the separate definition of "DISTRICT" and update all references to use "District" to mean the Municipality of the District of Metchosin; and replace outdated references to Provincial statutes, regulations, and sections of the *Local Government Act*.

The general purpose of Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 713 is to implement housing policies in the OCP to increase housing options. The proposed changes expand the range of permitted housing types, increase accessory dwelling unit sizes and on Agricultural Land Reserve parcels larger than 0.8 ha, allow an additional accessory dwelling unit to align with *Agricultural Land Reserve Use Regulations*. The amendments also incorporate housekeeping changes that modernize definitions related to housing revisions and replace outdated references to Provincial statutes, regulations, and sections of the *Local Government Act*.



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Further Information:

A copy of the staff reports, bylaws, and any relevant background information may be viewed in the "News & Notices" section of the District of Metchosin website www.metchosin.ca or may be viewed at the District of Metchosin Municipal Hall at 4450 Happy Valley Road, Metchosin, BC, by making an appointment via phone (250) 474-3167 or by emailing info@metchosin.ca between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday (excluding statutory holidays) commencing December 3, 2025, to and including December 15, 2025.

Public Input:

All persons who believe their interest in property are affected by the proposed bylaws will be afforded an opportunity to be heard at the Public Hearing on the matters contained in the proposed bylaws. Should you have any concerns or comments you wish to convey to Council, please submit in writing by email to info@metchosin.ca, or submit in person by dropping your submission in the mail slot at the right side of the Municipal Hall entrance, or submit by mail to District of Metchosin Municipal Office, 4450 Happy Valley Road, Victoria, British Columbia, V9C 3Z3 **no later than Monday December 15, 2025 at 4:00 pm**. Please be advised that all submissions to Council will become part of the public record.

Bob Payette
Chief Administrative Officer