

South Pender Island Trustees' Report

Support for the Brooks Point campaign:

On May 14, 2013, the Islands Trust Fund announced its offer to help Pender Island complete the Brooks Point Regional Park acquisition. The Islands Trust Fund has offered to dedicate the next \$5,000 it receives in donations to the Opportunity Fund, double that money, and forward the \$10,000 to PICA to help save Brooks Point. The Islands Trust Fund is a regional conservancy, preserving landscapes of Canada's islands in the Salish Sea. To learn more about how the Islands Trust Fund works with island landowners to conserve land, please contact the Islands Trust Fund at 250-405-5186 (Victoria).

Trust Council meeting on Mayne Island:

June 11 through 13, the Islands Trust Council quarterly business meeting will be held on Mayne Island at the Agricultural Hall, Miner's Bay. Our agenda includes annual stewardship awards nominations. There are 14 nominations this year, with two from the Penders. The list of nominations has been posted at the Islands Trust website homepage. For more information on the nominations and the entire agenda, please visit the Islands Trust homepage under [Highlights](#).

Update on LUB (land use bylaw) Review

In response to community input, the LTC has made three substantive changes to the proposed land use bylaw amendments:

The proposed bylaw that limits floor area for single family dwellings has been deleted. Permitting marine geothermal loops has been removed from the proposed bylaw amendments and the LTC will consider alternative options for regulating these structures, and

A new proposed amendment has been added that would increase the permitted height for accessory buildings from 4.6 metres (approx. 15 ft) to 7.3 metres (approx. 24 ft).

The LTC welcomes further community input on the proposed amendments and a Community Information Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, June 15th, 11 AM at Poets Cove Resort in the Seaglass Ballroom. Our usual venue, the South Pender Fire Hall, was unavailable for this date.

The purpose of a community information meeting is to provide an informal opportunity for residents to discuss the proposed changes with the LTC and also hear from fellow islanders. In addition to discussing the proposed amendments the LTC would like to broaden the discussion and hear from community members on any other land use issues of concern.

Please join the discussion at the Community Information Meeting on June 15 or, send your comments by:

email to information@islandstrust.bc.ca or
mail to 200-1627 Fort Street, Victoria BC V8R1H8 or
fax to 250-405-5155.

The latest version of Draft Bylaw 111 and the Land Use Bylaw, using the 'mark-up' tool to highlight the proposed changes, are online at www.islandstrust.bc.ca following the link to South Pender Island, and look under the 'Land Use Bylaw Amendments' heading. The previous Trustee Newsletters with more information on the proposed amendments are also posted online under the same section.

If you have any questions, please contact your Trustees or Planner Andrea Pickard apickard@islandstrust.bc.ca 250-405-5189.

Upcoming Meetings:

June 11 through 13, Trust Council quarterly business meeting will be held on Mayne Island at the Agricultural Hall, Miner's Bay. These meetings are open to the public. For more information, visit the website of the Islands Trust at <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/>.
June 15th at 11 AM. South Pender Island LTC hosts a Community Information Meeting at Poets Cove Seaglass Ballroom (our usual venue, the South Pender Fire Hall, was already booked for that date).

June 18th at 10 AM. South Pender Island Local Trust Committee business meeting at the South Pender Fire Hall.

Other events of interest:

PICA - Sunday, June 23 1-3 PM at Medicine Beach. The Pender Islands Conservancy Association Uplands and Near-shore Apocalypse Follow-up Series: Near-shore Marine Life "Whelks to whales" – in the field with Rick Harbo, senior marine biologist with Fisheries and Oceans Canada, and with Melissa Frey, Curator, Invertebrate Zoology, Royal B.C. Museum

PCT - Saturday, June 1, Pender Community Transition AGM at 9:30 AM Community Hall, followed at 10:30 by Fruit Tree workshop with experts Bob and Verna Duncan of Saanich (www.fruittreesandmore.com)

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