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## **Islands Trust Announces New Local Trust Committee Chairs**

Lək'wəŋən, METULIYE/Victoria, B.C. – On March 18, 2025, Islands Trust Chair Laura Patrick confirmed that, following the resignation of former Chair Peter Luckham, local trust committee chair appointments will remain unchanged except for Chair Patrick taking over as Chair for the Gabriola Island and Gambier Island Local Trust Committees, which were formally chaired by Peter Luckham.

The Island Trust Chair appoints the chairs for each of the 12 local trust committees within the Islands Trust Area, in accordance with the *Islands Trust Act*. Local trust committee chairs are selected from among the four members of the Islands Trust Executive Committee. Each appointed chair joins two locally elected trustees to form the local trust committee for their designated island area. Local trust committees are responsible for land use planning and regulation within their jurisdictions. Their duties include developing and adopting official community plans, land use bylaws, zoning and subdivision regulations, overseeing soil removal and deposit, and issuing permits under Part 14 of the *Local Government Act*.

“I am very much looking forward to chairing the Gabriola Island and Gambier Island Local Trust Committee meetings,” said Islands Trust Council Chair Laura Patrick. “I am eager to learn about current projects and issues and to get to know these communities better.”

The Islands Trust Executive Committee are:

- **Chair:** Trustee Laura Patrick (Salt Spring Island Local Trust Area)
- **Vice-Chair:** Trustee Tobi Elliott (Gabriola Island Local Trust Area)
- **Vice-Chair:** Trustee David Maude (Mayne Island Local Trust Area)
- **Vice-Chair:** Trustee Timothy Peterson (Lasqueti Island Local Trust Area)

## **LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE CHAIR ASSIGNMENTS**

**Denman Island Local Trust Committee**  
Trustee David Maude

**Lasqueti Island Local Trust Committee**  
Trustee Tobi Elliott

**Gabriola Island Local Trust Committee**  
Trustee Laura Patrick

**Mayne Island Local Trust Committee**  
Trustee Tobi Elliott

**Galiano Island Local Trust Committee**  
Trustee Timothy Peterson

**North Pender Island Local Trust Committee**  
Trustee David Maude

**Gambier Island Local Trust Committee**  
Trustee Laura Patrick

**Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee**  
Trustee Timothy Peterson

**Hornby Island Local Trust Committee**  
Trustee Timothy Peterson

**Saturna Island Local Trust Committee**  
Trustee David Maude

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***Preserving and protecting over 450 islands and surrounding waters in the Salish Sea***

Bowen, Denman, Gabriola, Galiano, Gambier, Hornby, Lasqueti, Mayne, N. Pender, Salt Spring, Saturna, S. Pender, Thetis

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**South Pender Island Local Trust Committee**

Trustee Tobi Elliott

**Thetis Island Local Trust Committee**

Trustee Tobi Elliott

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The Islands Trust is a federation of local government bodies representing 26,000 people living within the Islands Trust Area and another 10,000 non-resident property-owners. The Islands Trust's local trust committees are responsible for preserving and protecting the unique environment and amenities of the Islands Trust Area through planning and regulating land use, development management, education, co-operation with other agencies, and land conservation. The area covers the islands and waters between the British Columbia mainland and southern Vancouver Island. It includes 13 major islands and more than 450 smaller islands covering 5200 square kilometres.

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