



## News Release

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### **June 2021 Islands Trust Council Meeting Program Announced**

*Lək'wəjən*, METULIYE/Victoria, B.C. – Islands Trust Council invites the public to participate in its next business meeting being held electronically June 8-10, 2021. Since April 2020, Council has been meeting online to ensure the safety of trustees, staff, and the public during this provincial state of emergency. The public can view the electronic meeting live stream in real-time on a computer or smartphone, listen and participate by telephone call-in or, join the meeting by Zoom.

Trust Council meets quarterly to make decisions about matters that apply to the Islands Trust Area, and parts of the meeting involve routine business. Trust Council receives, discusses, and makes decisions about policies, finances, and proposed work for the coming quarter.

Trust Council works to preserve and protect over 450 islands and their surrounding waters in the Salish Sea. Input, comments, ideas, and feedback on topics related to the jurisdiction of the Islands Trust are welcomed.

#### **Featured Sessions**

**Delegations and Town Hall** – scheduled Tuesday, June 8, beginning at 7:00 p.m. You are invited to make a presentation to Trust Council or speak at the Town Hall portion of the meeting on matters impacting the Trust Area. Visit Share Your Views [islandstrust.bc.ca/contact-us/share-your-views/](http://islandstrust.bc.ca/contact-us/share-your-views/) for details.

Apply to be a delegation. Deadline to send complete delegation presentations: **Thursday, May 20, 2021**, to Lori Foster, Executive Coordinator email: [lfoster@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:lfoster@islandstrust.bc.ca) or phone: 250-405-5161 for more information.

**Trustee Roundtable** – updates by each of the 26 local trustees about initiatives, events, and developments of interest from their local trust area.

**Council Committees** – updates on top priorities and project status from each of Trust Council's committees: Executive, Regional Planning, Finance, and Trust Programs.

#### **Electronic Meeting Format**

The Meetings and Events page [islandstrust.bc.ca/whats-happening/meetings-and-events/](http://islandstrust.bc.ca/whats-happening/meetings-and-events/) is the “go-to” source to view, attend, participate and stay informed about the meeting. Choose the meeting dates June 8, 9, or 10 for details.

Until further notice, to protect the health and safety of trustees, Islands Trust employees, and the public during the COVID-19 pandemic, Trust Council meetings will be held electronically and broadcast using Zoom. The Islands Trust appreciates the public's understanding and assistance during this time.

The Islands Trust is a federation of special-purpose local government bodies representing 26,000 people living within the Islands Trust area and another 10,000 non-resident property owners. The Islands Trust area is located within Coast Salish territory and is the homeland to over 28,000 Coast Salish Peoples who have called this place home since time immemorial. The Islands Trust is responsible for preserving and protecting the Islands Trust Area's unique environment and amenities by planning and regulating land use, development management, education, cooperation 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 5,200 square kilometres.

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