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Denman trustees request housing review focused on affordability

The committee asks staff to prepare a business case and a discussion paper on options for more affordable housing.

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The Denman Island Local Trust Committee requests a draft business case for reviewing the island’s Land Use Bylaw and Official Community Plan, focusing on housing and increasing options for affordable and attainable housing.¹ The business case is to include the use of a consultant for all or part of the work.¹

The committee also requests a discussion paper listing and analyzing options available to facilitate more affordable housing, including strategies that have proved successful in the Trust area and elsewhere.¹ Staff will attempt to provide the reports for the next Local Trust Committee business meeting.¹

The committee’s discussion included a preference for a targeted review limited to housing, considering the pressing need, processing time and new policies in the

Trust Policy Statement that might affect regulations.¹ A business case detailing the scope of staff or consultant work and estimated cost might be presented to the Financial Planning Committee by September and before Trust Council considers the budget.¹

The committee also discussed a Trust-wide initiative on housing and affordable housing, a discussion paper on the collective experience of Island Planners, and using a professional facilitator for community consultation.¹

DENMAN FIRE RESCUE

Emergencies: **911**. Denman Island Fire Rescue is a volunteer department. This space is theirs in every edition, free, and is not for sale. Burning restrictions change through the season. Check before you light anything — including this newspaper.

Sources

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- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee Minutes — May 4, 2021 — “that the Denman Island Local Trust Committee request staff to prepare a draft business case for a review of the Denman Island Land Use Bylaw and Official Community Plan, focusing on housing, with the goal of increasing options for affordable and attainable housing while also minimizing impacts of housing generally to better protect the environment while supporting equity, diversity and inclusion, and that this business case include the use of a consultant for all or part of the work.”

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