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THE ISLAND

Plastic Free Denman members describe pandemic-era changes

A letter from Plastic Free Denman shares members’ reflections on single-use plastics, local businesses and island food initiatives.

REPORT — FACTS AND CITATIONS ONLY

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A letter to Denman Islanders from Plastic Free Denman describes a distanced committee meeting held outdoors during the easing of pandemic isolation measures. The letter says members discussed the return of single-use plastics and shared changes and actions they had noticed.¹

The letter thanks island businesses for efforts to serve residents and describes members’ experiences with local food initiatives, gardening and shopping locally. It says members were using soap and warm water instead of disposable wipes and washing and reusing Ziploc bags.¹

The letter also says members were getting involved in Denman food initiatives including Plan B(Bean) and SPUDS, and maintaining their commitment to climate action during the pandemic.¹

THE ISLAND

Denman Green draws opposing views at Trust meeting

Residents raised concerns and support for the proposed housing project during the Local Trust Committee’s May meeting.

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Residents voiced opposing views about the proposed Denman Green project during the Denman Island Local Trust Committee’s May 19 meeting. The minutes record concerns about water use, density and the project’s fit with the island, alongside support for the application’s progress.¹

One resident questioned proceeding after Island Health said rainwater collection was not a suitable primary source of potable water for a development of this size, according to the minutes. Others objected to electronic public meetings, while some supported electronic business meetings but opposed holding public hearings or community information meetings online.¹

The minutes also record a request to adopt setbacks sought by the Denman Community Land Trust Association, with a speaker saying larger setbacks in the guidelines could compromise that project. Other comments opposed Denman Green, citing the proposed water consumption and density increase.¹

The meeting record documents public comments; it does not record a decision on the Denman Green application at that meeting.¹

CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

Forecast on record for this week. Later weather is not in this box.

Thu 2020-06-11: Light drizzle; 19°C / 11°C; wind NE 9 kn; daylight 05:13–21:26; moon Waning Gibbous, 71% lit; low water 6:19 AM (3.1 m), high water 9:40 AM (3.3 m), low water 4:31 PM (1.4 m).



<https://catchwindow.com/canada/british-columbia/denman-island/week/2020-06-11>

	Thu 11	Fri 12	Sat 13	Sun 14	Mon 15	Tue 16	Wed 17
Sky	Light drizzle	Overcast	Clear	Mainly clear	Drizzle	Mainly clear	Clear
High	19°C	18°C	18°C	19°C	16°C	20°C	23°C
Low	11°C	12°C	8°C	9°C	11°C	9°C	9°C
Wind	NE 9 kn	SSW 9 kn	NE 7 kn	SW 8 kn	SE 11 kn	N 7 kn	NE 8 kn
Daylight	05:13–21:26	05:13–21:27	05:13–21:27	05:13–21:28	05:13–21:28	05:13–21:29	05:13–21:29
Moon	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Last Quarter	Last Quarter	Waning Crescent	Waning Crescent	Waning Crescent

Open-Meteo historical forecast. Tides: Canadian Hydrographic Service.

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

Every claim in this edition is cited. Full documents, and the checks each source passed, are at denmanisland.co/news — or ask us and we will post you a copy.

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- 1. The Islands Grapevine, June 11, 2020 — “From Plastic Free Denman: Cynthia Minden, Shelley McK-eachie, Lisa Pierce, Heather McLean, Jessica Johnston, Jules Eix and Debbie Frketich”

Denman Green draws opposing views at Trust meeting

- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee minutes, May 19, 2020 — “The Denman Green application was opposed for reasons including the following: the low level of water consumption per person that is being suggested is unreasonable;”

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