

# THE DENMAN FIRESTARTER

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## Denman Green proposal remains short of public hearing

*A community information meeting on the proposed affordable-rental project covered water, sewage and other outstanding information.*

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The Denman Island Local Trust Committee held an online community information meeting on August 6 about the Denman Housing Association’s Denman Green application, with a presentation and public questions.<sup>1</sup>

The proposal includes 20 affordable rental homes on an eight-hectare portion of a receiving parcel, with a housing agreement

intended to maintain affordability. The presentation said prospective renters would have to qualify for the BC Housing registry.<sup>1</sup>

The applicant had been asked for an updated sewage-disposal and grey-water-management report, and consultations on fire protection were under way. The minutes also say more information was needed before a public hearing could be scheduled.<sup>1</sup>

Water was among the questions raised. The applicant proposed rainwater collection as the primary source, with increased storage as backup; referral responses raised concerns about using rainwater as the primary potable-water source for a development of this size. The Advisory Planning Commission was to consider the proposed water source, daily-use budget and stored-water sufficiency.<sup>1</sup>

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### Denman outdoor school offers children nature-based learning

*Salix School of Nature Connection runs outdoor sessions for younger and older children, according to a Grapevine feature.*

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Salix School of Nature Connection, an outdoor education program on Denman Island, runs two days per week, with one session for younger children and one for older children, a Grapevine feature reported.<sup>1</sup>

The article said Denman Elementary School supports the program and provides flexibility for students to attend. It described activities including exploring local ecosystems, learning about plants and wildlife, and building fires and survival shelters.<sup>1</sup>

Founder and teacher Philippa Joly told the publication that the program aims to help children connect with where they live.<sup>1</sup>

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### Denman broadband prospects include Buckley Bay installation

*A Grapevine opinion piece describes several possible routes to improved internet and cellular service for Denman.*

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A Grapevine piece by Peter Spurr reported that the Comox Valley Regional District’s Electoral Areas Services Committee decided on August 10 that staff would work with HICEEC and partners toward the potential establishment of high-speed broadband infrastructure to Denman and Hornby.<sup>1</sup>

The article also described a communications installation under construction beside the seafood shop at the Buckley Bay ferry terminal. Spurr wrote that Freedom Mobile intended it to serve Baynes Sound, particularly Denman’s west coast, with cellular and high-speed internet service; the start-up date was not known.<sup>1</sup>

# CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

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

Thu 2020-08-27: Clear; 24°C / 12°C; wind NNE 6 kn; daylight 06:28–20:16; moon Waxing Gibbous, 63% lit; low water 7:26 AM (1.2 m), high water 3:06 PM (4.1 m), low water 7:54 PM (3.5 m).



https://catchwindow.com/canada/  
british-columbia/denman-island/  
week/2020-08-27

|          | Thu 27         | Fri 28         | Sat 29         | Sun 30         | Mon 31         | Tue 01         | Wed 02        |
|----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Sky      | Clear          | Clear          | Partly cloudy  | Overcast       | Overcast       | Partly cloudy  | Dense drizzle |
| High     | 24°C           | 23°C           | 22°C           | 19°C           | 20°C           | 23°C           | 25°C          |
| Low      | 12°C           | 12°C           | 12°C           | 9°C            | 12°C           | 14°C           | 15°C          |
| Wind     | NNE 6 kn       | ENE 9 kn       | NNW 12 kn      | E 8 kn         | ENE 6 kn       | ENE 6 kn       | NNE 6 kn      |
| Daylight | 06:28–20:16    | 06:30–20:14    | 06:31–20:12    | 06:33–20:10    | 06:34–20:08    | 06:35–20:05    | 06:37–20:03   |
| Moon     | Waxing Gibbous | Waxing Gibbous | Waxing Gibbous | Waxing Gibbous | Waxing Gibbous | Waxing Gibbous | Full Moon     |

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.

### Denman Green proposal remains short of public hearing

- 1. Denman LTC Special Meeting Minutes — 2020-08-06 — “More information is needed before a Public Hearing can be scheduled.”

### Denman outdoor school offers children nature-based learning

- 1. The Islands Grapevine, August 27, 2020 — “Currently, the school runs two days per week, with one session for younger kids, and one for older kids.”

### Denman broadband prospects include Buckley Bay installation

- 1. The Islands Grapevine, August 27, 2020 — “This will be a communications installation by the firm, Freedom Mobile, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Shaw Communications.”

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