

The Denman Firestarter

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THE ISLAND

Denman housing report heads for public discussion

The Local Trust Committee received a housing advisory commission report and asked staff to prepare an analysis and schedule a special meeting.

REPORT — FACTS AND CITATIONS ONLY

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Denman’s Local Trust Committee received the Housing Advisory Planning Commission’s final report and a guide to it at its November 14 meeting, according to minutes included with this issue.¹

The committee asked staff to print twelve or more copies of the report and guide for community distribution and to post them, along

with related correspondence, on the Denman Island Projects webpage.¹

Staff were also asked to analyze the commission’s recommendations and schedule a special meeting by Zoom at the beginning of 2024 to discuss options and next steps.¹

The minutes say a community information meeting could introduce the report with visual aids, after the committee’s discussion of staff’s analysis.¹

THE ISLAND

Ferry traffic concerns raised at Denman trust meeting

Residents raised safety and congestion concerns about cross-island ferry traffic at a Local Trust Committee meeting in October.

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Cross-island ferry traffic and road safety were raised during public comments at Denman’s October 3 Local Trust Committee meeting, according to the minutes.¹

The minutes record comments that traffic had increased, including mid-week travel, and that residents could no longer safely walk or bike on roads used by ferry traffic.¹

A delegation asked the committee to support examining a ferry route between Vancouver Island and Hornby Island rather than across Denman; the committee requested a letter to provincial and ferry officials and a regional district director about that option.¹

The minutes also record concerns about congestion near the Denman West terminal and the absence of promised flaggers in the village. These were comments made at the meeting, not findings by the committee.¹

CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

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

Thu 2023-12-28: Rain; 10°C / 9°C; wind ESE 20 kn; daylight 08:16–16:26; moon Waning Gibbous, 99% lit; low water 12:11 AM (0.4 m), high water 8:09 AM (5.3 m), low water 1:39 PM (3.7 m), high water 5:29 PM (4.2 m).



<https://catchwindow.com/canada/british-columbia/denman-island/week/2023-12-28>

	Thu 28	Fri 29	Sat 30	Sun 31	Mon 01	Tue 02	Wed 03
Sky	Rain	Dense drizzle	Light drizzle	Overcast	Overcast	Rain	Overcast
High	10°C	12°C	12°C	9°C	7°C	7°C	8°C
Low	9°C	8°C	7°C	4°C	4°C	4°C	6°C
Wind	ESE 20 kn	W 8 kn	SE 11 kn	N 6 kn	SSE 5 kn	N 8 kn	SSE 8 kn
Daylight	08:16–16:26	08:16–16:27	08:16–16:28	08:16–16:28	08:16–16:29	08:16–16:30	08:16–16:31
Moon	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous

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 housing report heads for public discussion

- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee minutes, November 14, 2023 — “that the Denman Island Local Trust Committee receive the “Denman Island Housing Advisory Planning Commission Final Report of November 3, 2023””

Ferry traffic concerns raised at Denman trust meeting

- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee minutes, October 3, 2023 — “Cross-island ferry travel problems of speeding and congestion across Denman Island are an ongoing and increasing issue.”

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