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THE ISLAND

Denman housing bylaws head to public hearing Sept. 15

A public hearing on proposed changes to the island’s Official Community Plan and Land Use Bylaw is scheduled at the Denman Activity Centre.

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A public hearing on proposed Bylaws 260 and 264 is scheduled for 10:45 a.m. on Tuesday, September 15, at the Denman Activity Centre, following a 10:30 a.m. community information meeting.¹

The notice says the proposed Official Community Plan changes include housing policies, support for alternative housing forms and

affordable housing, and a broader framework to replace the density bank policy.¹

Proposed Land Use Bylaw changes include increasing minimum lot sizes, reducing the number of permitted dwellings on larger lots, expanding opportunities for secondary suites in certain zones, and requiring freshwater catchment and storage cisterns for new builds.¹

At the Local Trust Committee’s August 24 meeting, one member of the public asked that second reading be delayed until after the hearing, expressing concern about awareness of the proposed changes and the density bank’s removal. The planner said comments could be submitted until the hearing closed and changes could still be made after second reading.²

CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

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

Thu 2026-09-03: Overcast; 19°C / 12°C; wind ESE 7 kn; daylight 06:38–20:02; moon Waning Gibbous, 65% lit; low water 4:39 AM (1.2 m), high water 12:01 PM (4.2 m), low water 4:37 PM (3.5 m), high water 9:50 PM (4.5 m).



<https://catchwindow.com/canada/british-columbia/denman-island/week/2026-09-03>

	Thu 03	Fri 04	Sat 05	Sun 06	Mon 07	Tue 08	Wed 09
Sky	Overcast	Drizzle	Light drizzle	Overcast	Overcast	Overcast	Overcast
High	19°C	19°C	22°C	23°C	20°C	22°C	21°C
Low	12°C	12°C	13°C	11°C	13°C	13°C	12°C
Wind	ESE 7 kn	N 4 kn	NE 5 kn	N 5 kn	E 6 kn	NNE 5 kn	NNE 4 kn
Daylight	06:38–20:02	06:39–20:00	06:40–19:58	06:42–19:56	06:43–19:54	06:45–19:52	06:46–19:50
Moon	Waning Gibbous	Last Quarter	Last Quarter	Waning Crescent	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, public hearing notice — “The Denman Island Local Trust Committee invites the public to attend a Public Hearing beginning at 10:45 am, Tuesday, September 15, 2026”
- 2. Denman Island Local Trust Committee regular meeting minutes, August 24, 2026 — “The Planner clarified that members of the public may submit comments and concerns until the close of the Public Hearing and that changes may still be made following second reading.”

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