

DISTRICT OF LANTZVILLE Community Update

October 2016 SPECIAL EDITION: OCP Update & Water Master Plan









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The District of Lantzville is updating our Official Community Plan (OCP) to help set directions for the community over the next 20 years. At the same time, we are developing a Water Master Plan to guide decision-making for our water service. Your input is central to defining what that future will be!

COMING UP!

PUBLIC WORKSHOP: WHAT COULD WORK FOR LANTZVILLE?

A discussion on preliminary options and scenarios

WHAT: Public Workshop
WHEN: Wednesday, November 2, 2016 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm
WHERE: Costin Hall, 7232 Lantzville Road, Lantzville

Please try to arrive ten minutes early for sign-in. Building fire capacity may limit latecomers.

Explore . Discuss . Be Inspired

What's happening at the workshop?

The purpose of this workshop is to define a range of potential options for Lantzville's future. During the fall and winter, we will be working with the community to select which of these options to recommend to Council as reflective of Lantzville's neighbourhood and community-wide aspirations. The options will explore a range of water supply and land use scenarios.

The workshop will include:

- Presentations by Vancouver Island University students on their ideas from the Village Core Design Charrette completed in September
- An update on the input we've heard to date from the public
- Tabling and discussion about potential water service options including ranges of costs and funding options
- An overview of land use fact sheets and a discussion about what land uses could fit where in Lantzville
- Information about the upcoming Kitchen Table Meetings and Community-wide Survey

Come and join this interactive discussion about possibilities for the future of Lantzville.

Tell your neighbours and friends – all are welcome!

What have we heard so far? - Community Engagement #1 Highlights

On September 10, 2016 Lantzville celebrated Minetown Day and we were there!

At our booth during Minetown Day, we spoke with community members about their concerns, ideas, and hopes for the future of Lantzville. During and after Minetown Day, a community questionnaire was open to gather input. This information is being used to identify potential preliminary options.

Who Participated?

- 121 people completed a questionnaire
- The greatest number of participants were between the ages of 35 and 54
- Responses were evenly split between female and male
- Three-quarters have lived in Lantzville for more than 5 years
- The greatest number of responses came from Lower Lantzville, the Winds area, and the Phillip Road area

What do participants love most about Lantzville?

- Community & Friendliness
- Small-town / Rural Character
- Access to Nature
- Uniqueness & Variety (not cookie-cutter)

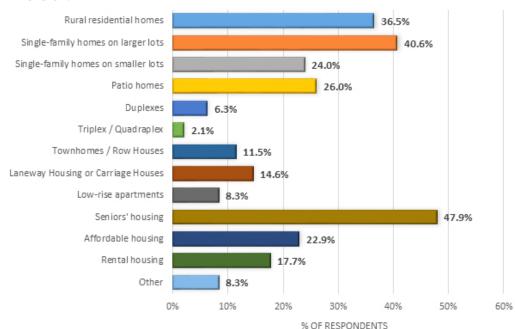
What would they most like to change about Lantzville?

- Revitalization of the Village
- Water & Sewer Servicing
- Speed of Change & Evolution
- Amenities (e.g., sidewalks, trails, beach areas, street lights, etc.)

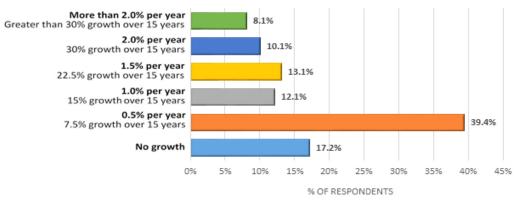
What did participants think about the current OCP Vision & Policies?

- 91% of participants felt the current vision still generally represents their vision for the future
- Just over half of those felt the vision does need some refinements to reflect today's community
- Most participants agreed with the goals and policies in the current OCP, but were unsure about how much progress had been made on them

What, if any, types of housing did participants think Lantzville needs more of?



What, if any, pace of growth did participants think is appropriate for Lantzville?



Community Engagement #1 Highlights



At Minetown Day, community members painted their ideas for the future on a community canvas donated by the Lantzville Art Gallery.

Lantzville's Water Rates

Did you know Lantzville uses a tiered water rate structure to encourage conservation?

- 70% of participants who are on community water DID know about the water rate structure
- 63% felt the water rates are about right 18% thought the rates were too high, and 13% thought rates could be higher to encourage more conservation

Water Services for those Not on Community Water

- 45% of participants within the Water Service Area, but not on community water, responded that they did not want to be connected in the future
- 38% of respondents noted they did want to be connected in the future
- The remaining 17% were unsure

Water Priorities

All participants were asked to rank the following items in order of concern about community water. The rankings were:

- 1. Long-term reliability of the water supply
- 2. Municipal water rates (i.e., cost for water bill)
- **3.** Emergency water services throughout the community (e.g., fire suppression)
- **4.** Municipal property tax rates (i.e., costs for water distribution infrastructure development and maintenance)
- 5. Water conservation
- **6.** Increasing water supply to allow more existing homes to connect to municipal water
- 7. Municipal water connection cost (i.e., cost to connect an unserviced lot to municipal water)
- **8.** Increasing water supply to allow new development to occur

Water Conservation

Many participants are actively conserving water in their homes. The top 3 water conservation activities were:

- **1.** Fixing leaky toilets and fixtures
- **2.** Turning off the tap when brushing teeth, shaving, washing dishes, cleaning vegetables, etc.
- **3.** Using low-flow fixtures in their homes (e.g., toilets, faucets, showers)

Coming up: Water Scenarios

We're developing a range of scenarios that consider water service to currently unserviced parts of the community. At the Public Workshop on November 2nd we'll be sharing and refining these scenarios – so please join us!

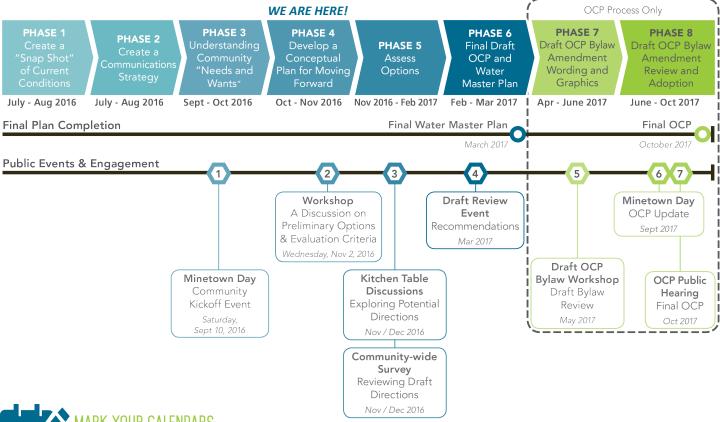


We're not done listening yet.

We still need input about these and other important topics, so please stay involved throughout the process!

OCP & Water Master Plan Process Update

We're currently at a busy point in our process - we'll be looking for your input through the remainder of 2016 to help form the Draft Plans that will be developed in early 2017.





The remainder of the fall will be focused on developing and exploring directions for the plans. Key events include:

- Community Event #2: Workshop: On November 2, 2016, we'll be hosting a hands-on workshop at Costin Hall to explore preliminary options for both plans. Join us to test a range of options and scenarios that could be considered for water service and land use and provide your feedback.
- Kitchen Table Meetings: Starting in November we'll be inviting residents to host Kitchen Table Meetings for their neighbourhoods. These meetings will allow local residents to talk in depth about the options and directions important to them. Interested in hosting or attending? Email us at ourlantzville@lantzville.ca.
- Community-wide Survey: We'll be undertaking a community-wide survey that asks all Lantzville residents to weigh-in on their preferred directions. Watch for this in your mailbox.

- Statistical Survey: In early 2017, we'll complete a random-sample statistical survey to verify results of the community-wide survey and address points where community opinions are mixed.
- **Advisory Committee:** An OCP Review Select Committee has been formed to provide valuable local knowledge, review materials, provide advice on the Draft OCP, and liaise with community residents.
- **Project Website:** Stay tuned to the website for the latest news, to download project materials, or to participate in public surveys and questionnaires - lantzville.ca/OCP-WMP.
- **Email List:** Sign up for news about the process at one of the events or online at lantzville.ca/OCP-<u>WMP</u>. We'll email you with key updates or when public events are announced.