



## Phase 2—Community Visioning COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT RESULTS

For the period April to June 2018







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# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

### PHASE 2 – COMMUNITY VISIONING

In April to June 2018 as part of the Local Area Plan update, residents from Cordova Bay were asked to help build the vision and goals for the future of their community. The District engaged the community through open houses (309 attendees) and an on-line and paper survey (194 respondents) to identify issues, opportunities, and priorities.

The feedback gathered will be used to help develop an updated local area plan, which will guide future planning and land use management decisions, and help prioritize community investment.









## PHASE 2 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY



#### WHAT WE ASKED

We asked residents and business owners of Cordova Bay what they value about their community, their vision for the future, and their key issues and priorities through open houses and a survey. This is a summary of the results of those engagement events. A full report is available at **saanich.ca/cordova**.



#### WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT CORDOVA BAY?

Cordova Bay residents love where they live. Residents told us that they highly value the natural beauty of Cordova Bay – primarily the beach and the views of the ocean. They love the low-key village atmosphere and the quiet and peacefulness it brings. The tall Douglas-fir trees are a defining favourite natural feature. Community amenities like Mattick's Farm, parks and trails, the Beach House Restaurant, Cordova Bay 55+, the golf courses, and the excellent schools are highly valued.



## WHAT ISSUES NEED TO BE ADDRESSED?

The community identified the need for transportation improvements such as pedestrian facilities, safe crossings, and traffic calming especially along Cordova Bay Road. There is a desire for better transit service and continuous bike lanes. Conflicts between cyclists, drivers, and pedestrians on Lochside Drive was identified as an issue.

The need for increased housing options and affordability are key issues. Notable is the desire for rental housing, affordable seniors and workforce housing.

More local shops and services are desired along with community meeting and gathering spaces particularly in the village area. Enhancing beach access points and improving trail connections were also identified as well as more amenities for younger demographics.

A key concern is to protect and enhance "village" character. The need to recognize and honour First Nations history in a meaningful way was also identified.

## WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR CORDOVA BAY IN 20 YEARS?

Cordova Bay residents expressed a 20-year vision for a community that is: quiet, peaceful, safe; seaside village-like; rich in natural assets such as trees, beach, and open space; walkable, bikeable and less reliant on cars and driving; affordable, mixed, and for all ages and income levels; well-served by local businesses; and neighbourly, friendly with lots of community spirit.







## Background

An update of the Cordova Bay Local Area Plan was launched in November 2017. The Local Area Plan guides planning and land use management decisions at the neighbourhood level for the next 20 to 30 years.

The plan will be developed over five phases. Phase 1 of the project focused on project initiation and background work. In Phase 2- Community Visioning of the project, the public was invited to provide a vision for Cordova Bay, as well as issues, opportunities, and priorities. This occurred between April and June 2018. This document provides the results of this Phase 2 community engagement.

Information on the project can be found at: www.saanich.ca/cordova.

## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this document is to report back to the community on what we heard through the community visioning phase of the project. The feedback gathered will be shared with Council and will help to inform the Cordova Bay Local Area Plan update.

## **Summary of Engagement Activities**

Community feedback in Phase 2 was received through an open house, a community survey, stakeholder meetings, and an interactive display at Cordova Bay Day. Members of the public were encouraged to complete a Visioning Survey. The survey was made available online and in paper copy, and was open to the public from April 28 to May 27, 2018. It was completed by 194 people.

Two drop-in style open houses (with the same content) were attended by 309 people. The public were invited to review background information, and to write ideas and issues onto sticky notes that were attached to display boards. The open houses were held on:

- Saturday, April 28, 2018 from 2 pm to 5 pm at Cordova Bay Elementary School; and
- Wednesday, May 2, 2018 from 10 am to 2 pm at Cordova Bay United Church.

Meetings were held with community stakeholders including BC Transit, CBA Community Association, CRD, and a number of local business owners and major property owners.

Staff attended Cordova Bay Day on June 23, 2018 with a booth at St. David by-the-sea. A graphic illustration consultant produced a vision drawing based on community feedback at this event (see Appendix C). The public asked questions and provided ideas to staff on key issues, opportunities, vision and priorities.



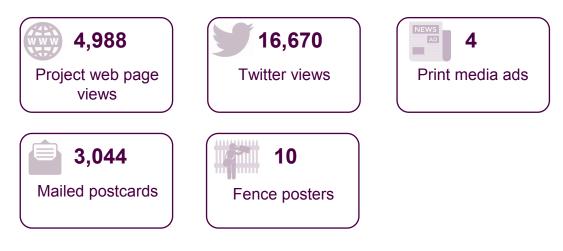


## **Engagement Snapshot**

#### Public participation activities



#### **Advertising and Promotion**







## **Community Vision Survey Results**

The Community Visioning Survey was designed to identify community issues, opportunities, and priorities and solicit input to a vision statement for the future of Cordova Bay. The survey was made up of 32 multiple choice and open-ended questions. The survey questionnaire can be found on the project website at **saanich.ca/cordova**.

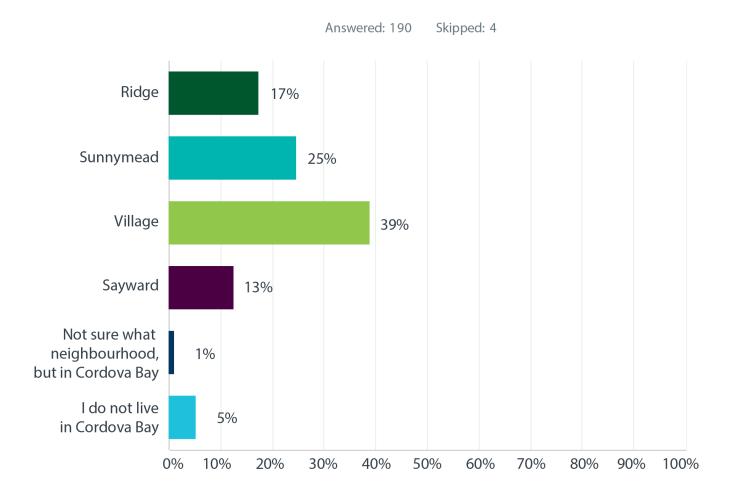
The survey was designed for online use, and SurveyMonkey was used as the online survey tool. A paper copy was also made available. There were 194 surveys completed between April 28 and May 27, 2018.

The results of the survey are presented on the following pages. For quantitative answers, the data is presented in a bar graph followed by a table of the numerical results. For open-ended questions, the results have been analysed using "theme coding" and the answers are presented from the most common to the least common theme. A sample of comments are presented to highlight theme answers. The full list of comments for each question are presented in Appendix A.





## Q1: What neighbourhood do you live in?



Answer choices	Respo	Responses		
Ridge	17.37%	33		
Sunnymead	24.74%	47		
Village	38.95%	74		
Sayward	12.63%	24		
Not sure what neighbourhood, but in Cordova Bay	1.05%	2		
I do not live in Cordova Bay	5.26%	10		
Total	100%	190		





#### Q2: If you live in Cordova Bay, how long have you lived there?

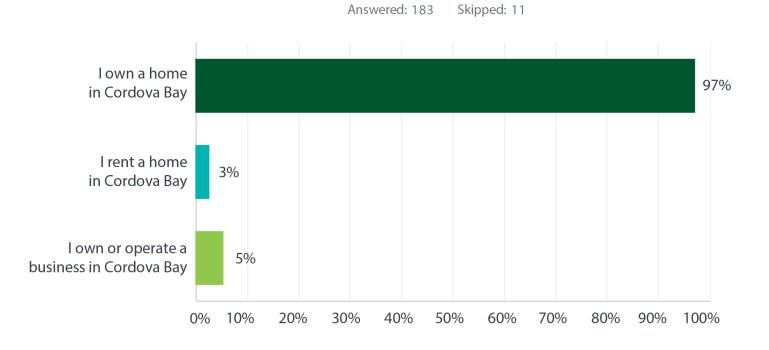
Based on the results of the survey:

The average length of residency in Cordova Bay is **13.1 years** and the median number of years respondents have lived in Cordova Bay is **9 years**.





### **Q3: Please select all that apply.**



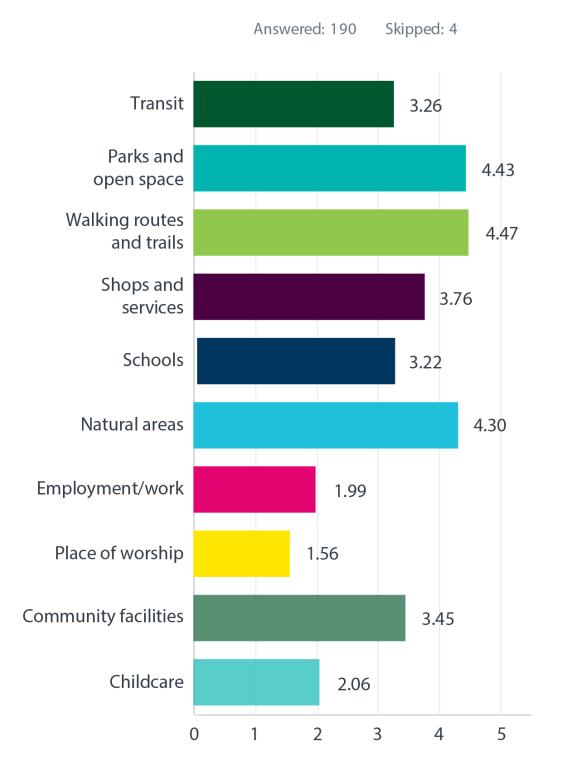
Answer choices	Resp	onses
I own a home in Cordova Bay	97.27%	178
I rent a home in Cordova Bay	2.73%	5
I own or operate a business in Cordova Bay	5.49%	10
Total		183





### Q4: How important is it to have the following located near to where

**you live?** (1 = Not Important | 5 = Extremely Important)







## Q4: Continued...

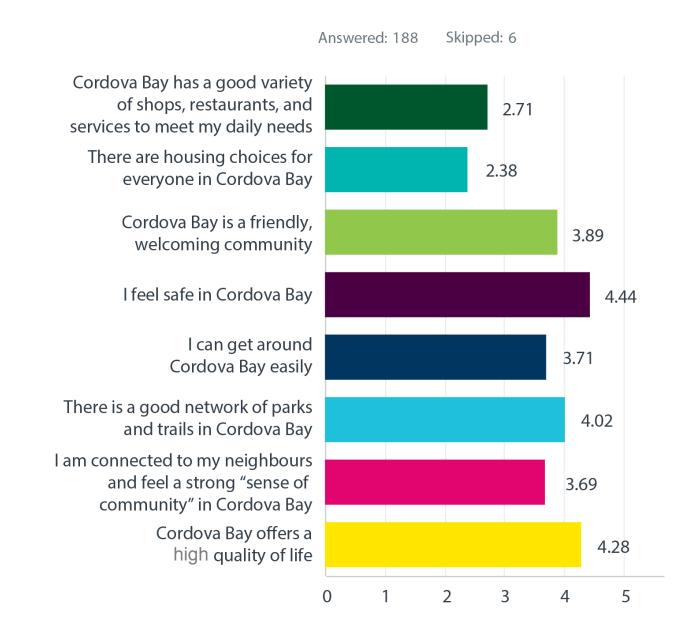
Answer choices	Not Important	Slightly Important	Moderately Important	Very Important	Extremely Important	Total	Weighted Average (/5)
Transit	8.70%	14.13%	33.15%	30.98%	13.04%		
	16	26	61	57	24	184	3.26
Parks and	0.53%	1.60%	8.02%	34.22%	55.61%		
open space	1	3	15	64	104	187	4.43
Walking	0.53%	1.60%	6.95%	32.09%	58.82%		
routes and trails	1	3	13	60	110	187	4.47
Shops and	2.14%	5.35%	33.69%	31.55%	27.27%		
services	4	10	63	59	51	187	3.76
Schools	18.03%	11.48%	22.40%	26.23%	21.86%		
	33	21	41	48	40	183	3.22
Natural	2.15%	3.23%	10.75%	30.11%	53.76%		
areas	4	6	20	56	100	186	4.30
Employment	45.11%	23.37%	21.20%	7.61%	2.72%		
/work	83	43	39	14	5	184	1.99
Place of	67.93%	15.22%	12.50%	1.63%	2.72%		
worship	125	28	23	3	5	184	1.56
Community	7.10%	8.74%	33.88%	32.79%	17.49%		
facilities	13	16	62	60	32	183	3.45
Childcare	50.27%	12.97%	23.78%	5.95%	7.03%	185	2.06
	93	24	44	11	13		





### Q5: How would you rate the following statements?

(1 = Strongly Disagree | 5 = Strongly Agree)





## Q5: Continued...

Answer choices	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total	Weighted Average (/5)
Cordova Bay has a good variety of shops, restaurants, and services to meet my daily needs	13.90% 26	37.43% 70	16.58% 31	27.81% 52	4.28% 8	187	2.71
There are housing choices for everyone in Cordova Bay	21.81% 41	37.77% 71	22.87% 43	15.43% 29	2.13% 4	188	2.38
Cordova Bay is a friendly, welcoming community	1.07% 2	3.74% 7	18.72% 35	58.29% 109	18.18% 34	187	3.89
I feel safe in Cordova Bay	0.53% 1	1.06% 2	1.60% 3	47.34% 89	49.47% 93	188	4.44
I can get around Cordova Bay easily	0.54% 1	13.04% 24	20.11% 37	47.83% 88	18.48% 34	184	3.71
There is a good network of parks and trails in Cordova Bay	1.06% 2	3.72% 7	9.57% 18	63.30% 119	22.34% 42	188	4.02
I am connected to my neighbours and feel a strong "sense of community" in Cordova Bay	1.60% 3	8.02% 15	27.27% 51	45.99% 86	17.11% 32	187	3.69
Cordova Bay offers a high quality of life	1.08% 2	0.00% 0	7.03% 13	53.51% 99	38.38% 71	185	4.28





#### Q6: Tell us what you love about Cordova Bay.

The most common themes in the comments are:

- Natural beauty
- Outstanding views
- Seaside village atmosphere
- Beach and ocean
- Suburban and rural character
- Community amenities (e.g. schools, Cordova Bay 55+, golf)
- Natural environment (flora and fauna)
- Quiet and safe
- Mattick's Farm
- Parks and trails
- A great place to walk and easy to get around
- Beach House Restaurant

Sample Comments:

"I love the quaint feel of the area. It has kept its charm."

"I love the beach, the neighbours, walking to Mattick's, the Beach House, biking on Lochside..."

"Proximity to ocean, untouched beaches, safety, and good schooling."

"Beautiful beaches, Lochside Trail access, walk to amenities, schools, parks, golf course, farms, and friendly neighbours. We are so lucky to have it all."



# Q7: Tell us what is missing that would make Cordova Bay an even better place to live?

The most common themes in the comments are:

- More local shops and services (grocery, bank, pub, medical, dental, childcare, cafes, restaurants, pub)
- Better public transit service
- Traffic calming improvements
- Recreation centre, library, gym, community centre
- Improve existing and/or add more sidewalks

- Improvements to roads, especially Cordova Bay Road
- Affordable housing options
- Greater range of housing types
- More recreation options
- Improvements to walkability and pedestrian experience

Sample Comments:

*"A few more services would be welcome. Improved sidewalks, crosswalks, and speed control for traffic."* 

"A direct bus to downtown Victoria."

"More smaller lots and houses for the next generation."

*"Sidewalks and crosswalks are missing. As well as traffic calming measures to stop speeding cars on Cordova Bay Road."* 





#### Q8: In 20 years, I want Cordova Bay to be a place where...

The most common themes in the comments are:

- A community with a strong village and public places to gather
- Housing for a diversity of people
- Efficient public transit system
- A place of great natural beauty
- Safe and welcoming community
- Lots of tree cover
- Walkable to services for daily needs
- Affordable for families and next generations
- Affordable housing options for people as they age
- Low impact from traffic
- Kids can walk to school safely
- The scale is "village-like"
- Rural and beach feeling is maintained
- Vibrant shops
- Quiet
- Safe crossings along Cordova Bay Road
- Less car dependency
- Improved and celebrated public beach accesses for all
- Bike facilities.





#### Q9: Tell us one innovative idea for the future of Cordova Bay.

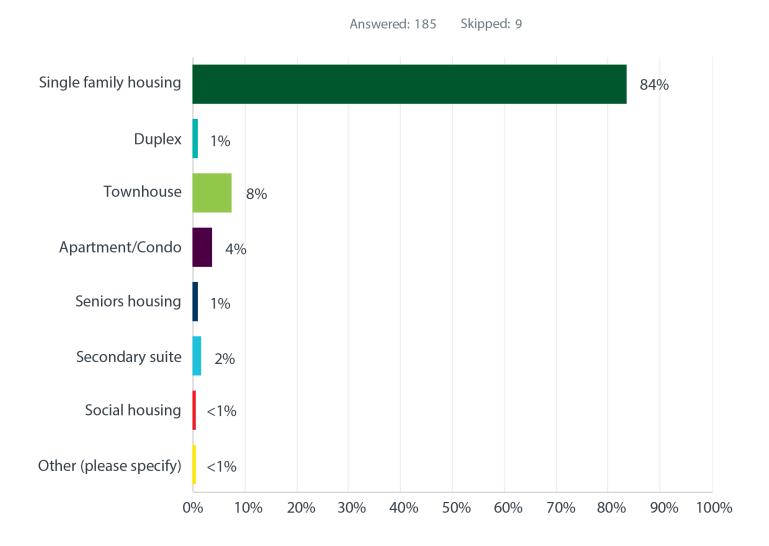
The comments include the following ideas:

- Community recreation centre serving Cordova Bay
- Underground power lines
- A golf course trail through to Parker Avenue
- Food trucks at the beaches in summer
- Cordova Bay Road is made "uncomfortable" for through-traffic
- A better-functioning Lochside Trail for pedestrians
- Boardwalk on the beach
- Light rapid transit north-south from the ferries/airport to downtown
- No fossil fuels and renewable energy housing
- Opportunities for off-road cycling
- Bike lanes the whole length of Cordova Bay Road
- Mix of housing for all ages
- Rinsing shower station at the beach accesses
- Pubs serving local beer and food
- Small arts centre
- Boat launch and pier
- Shops and restaurants around an outdoor "commons"
- Farmers' and makers' market
- Pedestrian bridge to Elk Lake
- District energy system for larger buildings
- Re-designed park and beach access at Doris Page
- Community services for young parents





## Q10: What best describes the type of housing you live in?



Answer choices	Respo	onses	
Single family house	83.78%	155	
Duplex	1.08%	2	
Townhouse	7.57%	14	
Apartment/Condo	3.78%	7	
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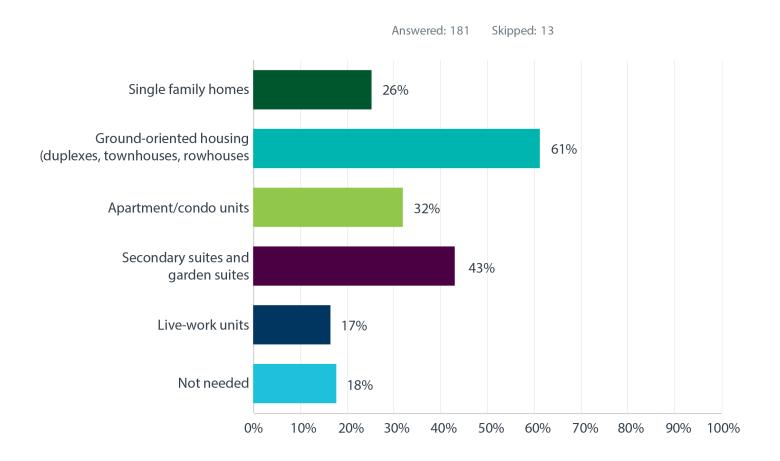
Answer choices	Responses		
Seniors housing	1.08%	2	
Secondary suite	1.62%	3	
Social housing	0.54%	1	
Other (Please specify) - Group home, disability housing	0.54%	1	
Total	100%	185	





## Q11: Different types of housing: Do you think Cordova Bay needs

**more...** (multiple answers can be chosen)

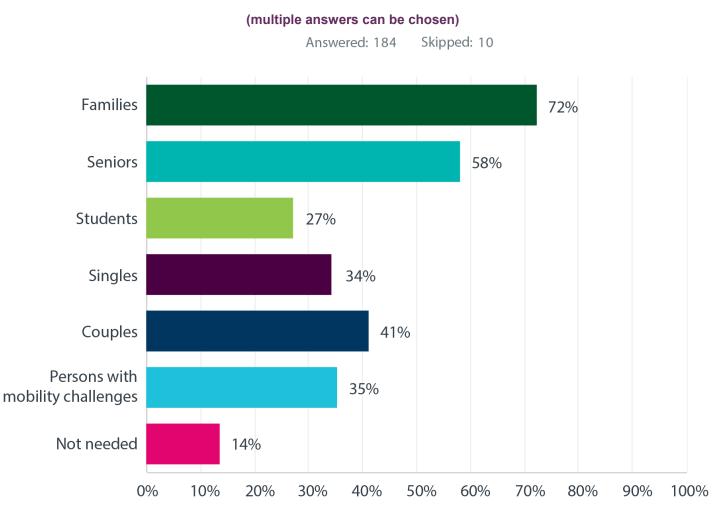


Answer choices	Responses		
Single family homes	25.41%	46	
Ground-oriented housing (duplexes, townhouses, rowhouses)	61.33%	111	
Apartment/condo units	32.04%	58	
Secondary suites and garden suites	43.09%	78	
Live-work units	16.57%	30	
Not needed	17.68%	32	
Total		181	





### Q12: Do you think Cordova Bay needs more housing for:

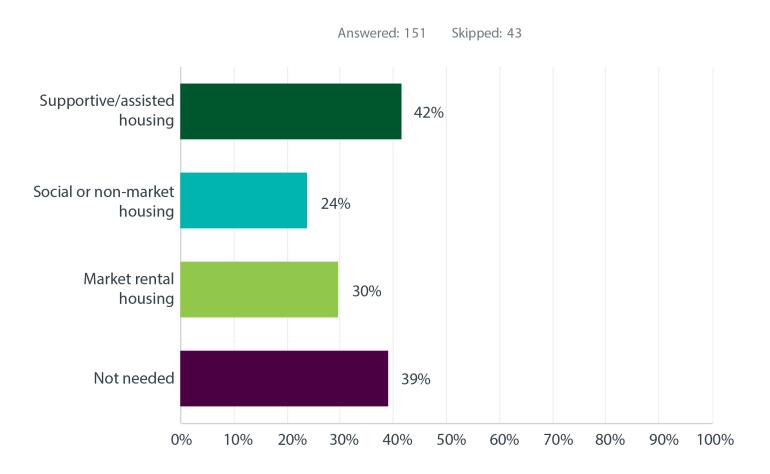


Answer choices	Resp	onses
Families	72.28%	133
Seniors	58.15%	107
Students	24.17%	50
Singles	34.24%	63
Couples	41.30%	76
Persons with mobility challenges	35.33%	65
Not needed	13.59%	25
Total		184





#### Q13: Other housing types: Do you think Cordova Bay needs more...



#### (multiple answers can be chosen)

Answer choices	Responses		
Supportive/assisted housing	41.72%	63	
Social or non-market housing	23.84%	36	
Market rental housing	29.80%	45	
Not needed	39.07%	59	
Total		151	
'Other' responses listed on next page			





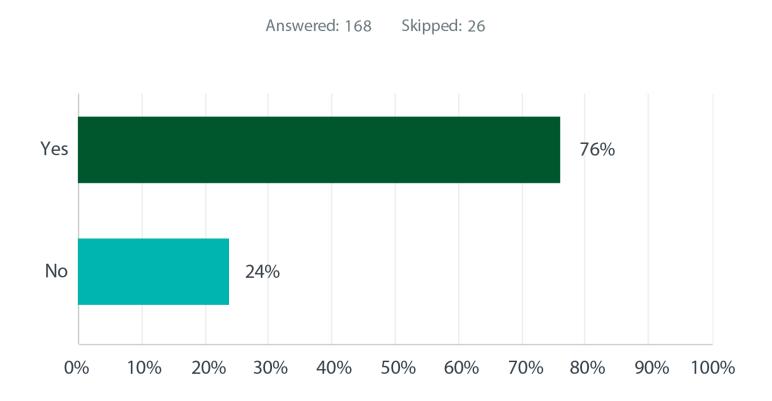
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Other Responses	
Townhouses	
Just not huge condos, small attractive condos/rental units	
Senior housing	
Assisted living	
Seniors co-op townhouses	
Affordable for young people	
Retirement residences	
New developments with mixed types of housing	





# Q14: Are there areas of Cordova Bay where you think new housing might be suitable?



Answer choices	Responses		
Yes	76.19%	128	
No	23.81%	40	
Total	100%	168	





#### Q15: If yes, where? (see question 14) 129 responses

We asked if there were any areas in Cordova Bay where new housing would be suitable. The most common themes in the comments are:

- Sayward including Trio gravel pit site •
- Village area including the Plaza site •
- Ridge
- Infill housing throughout Cordova Bay

#### Sample Comments:

"Sayward could be an area for a mix of housing (affordable, townhouses and single family housing) as it offers access to the highway easily from Sayward Road. If more housing is located in this area, there should still be protection of the natural beauty and location of parks that provide gathering areas and recreational activities."

"In the village area along the toe of the slope below Lochside Drive and at the east end of Sutcliff and Doumac Avenues."

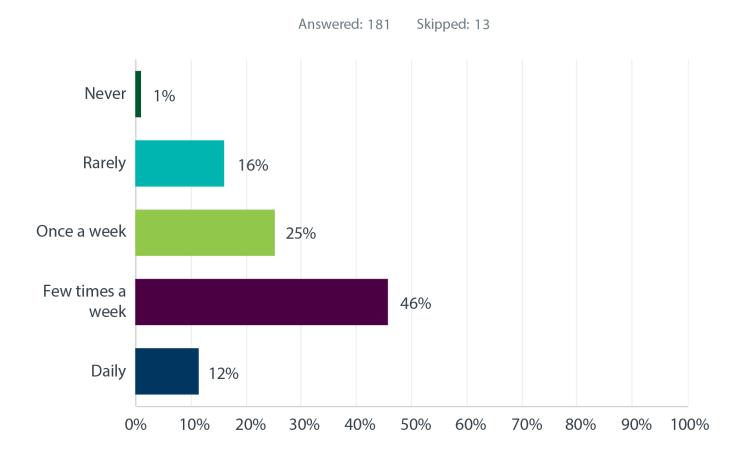
"Sayward and the Ridge have lots that could be subdivided over time. Village could benefit from condos and townhouses to support retail."

"Infill on larger lots with height limit consistent with existing housing stock."





# Q16: How often do you visit shops, restaurants, and services in Cordova Bay?



Answer choices	Resp	Responses	
Never	1.10%	2	
Rarely	16.02%	29	
Once a week	25.41%	46	
Few times a week	45.86%	83	
Daily	11.60%	21	
Total	100%	181	





# Q17: What are your ideas for improving the Cordova Bay Village and surrounding areas?

The most common themes in the comments are:

- More shops, restaurants, and services
- Grocery store
- Developments that are an appropriate size and scale
- Improved walkability and better pedestrian experience
- Traffic calming measures
- Coffee shop or café

- Modest-density housing options
- Pub or bar
- Improvements to roadways and connections
- More community gathering spaces
- Public event space
- Improve existing and/or add more sidewalks

Sample Comments:

"More service areas around existing beach accesses."

"Improve the pedestrian experience (better sidewalks, gathering places, and a variety of shops."

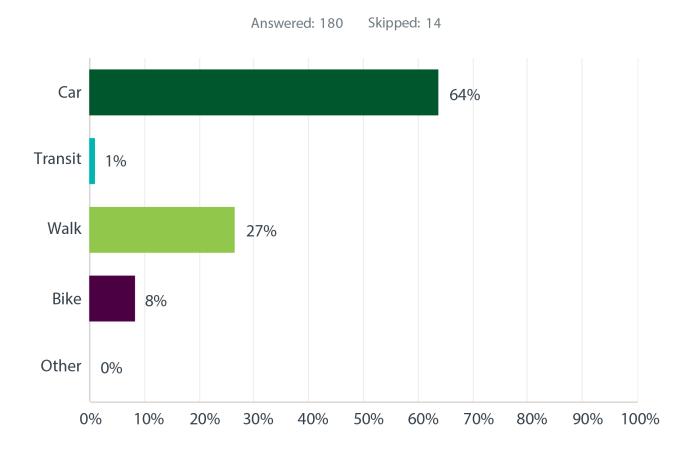
"More shopping but accessible by walking or biking."

""Low density multi-family residential."





### Q18: How do you get around in Cordova Bay most of the time?



Answer choices	Respo	Responses	
Car	63.89%	115	
Transit	1.11%	2	
Walk	26.67%	48	
Bike	8.33%	15	
Other	0%	0	
Total	100%	180	





## Q19: Are there any streets in Cordova Bay that you enjoy walking along? Which ones and what is it about the streets you like?

The most common themes in the comments are:

- Santa Clara, Del Monte, Alderley and Rambler because they are quiet and have few cars and bicycles
- Haliburton Hill even though it is steep is a beautiful walk
- Searidge is not too busy and the nearby walkways provide a 20 minute "circle walk"
- Lochside Drive, Del Monte Drive and Santa Clara Avenue for their large trees
- Del Monte, Lochside, Amblewood, Bramble Court uphill to park bench for ocean views
- · Lochside because it connects to many walkable streets, parks, trails
- Sunnymead Circle because it is calm and accesses McMinn Park
- "3 park walk" between McMinn, Grant, Amblewood, and Lochside
- Lochside for its flat, direct route
- Lochside for its country feel
- Santa Clara, Wesley and Walema are great for dog walking
- Claremont and Haliburton for exercise
- Polson Terrace for the view
- Parker Avenue for beach accesses
- Lochside every day because of successful implementation of traffic calming





## Q20: Are there streets you dislike walking along? Which ones and what do you dislike?

The most common themes in the comments are:

- Lochside when there is a lot of bike and vehicle traffic
- Cordova Bay Road is too busy and sidewalks are on one side only
- Difficult to cross Cordova Bay Road safely
- East side of Haliburton Road
- Claremont Road has poor sidewalks
- Roads that have no sidewalks
- Streets that have no or poor street lighting



# Q21: What ideas do you have to improve transportation and mobility in Cordova Bay?

The most common themes in the comments are:

- More local, frequent, and direct bus service
- Make improvements and calm traffic on Cordova Bay Road
- Improve existing and/or add more sidewalks
- Add traffic calming measures
- Improve and add more bike lanes
- Improve traffic patterns and access to Pat Bay
  Highway

- Add more pedestrian crossings
- Reduce or limit vehicle traffic traveling through Cordova Bay
- Improve Lochside Drive among cars, pedestrians, and bicycles
- Improve walkability and pedestrian experience

#### Sample Comments:

"The biggest problem with raising a family in Cordova Bay is bus transit. Buses need to run every 25 to 30 minutes minimum. It would be perfect if it was every 20 minutes like everywhere else."

"Traffic calming and enforcement of speed zones—especially school and playground zones."

"Connect unfinished sidewalks and cycling lanes."

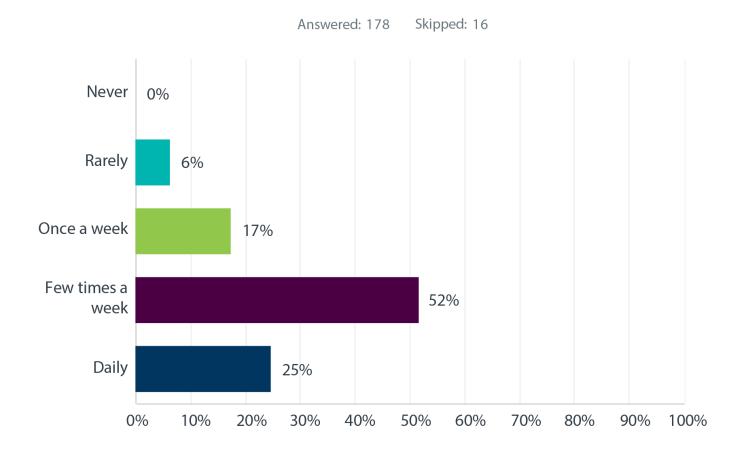
"Better sidewalks (sidewalk network)."

"Something on Lochside between Cordova Bay and Claremont needs to be done."





# Q22: How often do you visit public parks, trails and community facilities in Cordova Bay?

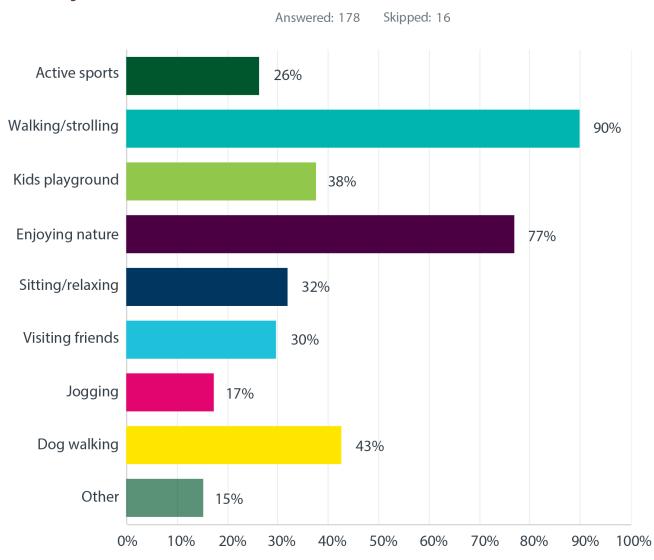


Answer choices	Resp	Responses	
Never	0%	0	
Rarely	6.18%	11	
Once a week	17.42%	31	
Few times a week	51.69%	92	
Daily	24.72%	44	
Total	100%	178	





## Q23: What activities do you do the most in parks, trails, and community facilities? (check all that apply)



Answer choices	Responses	
Active sports	26.40%	47
Walking/strolling	89.89%	160
Kids playground	37.64%	67
Enjoying nature	76.97%	137
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### 23: continued...

Answer choices	Respo	Responses		
Sitting/relaxing	32.02%	57		
Visiting friends	29.78%	53		
Jogging	17.42%	31		
Dog Walking	42.70%	76		
Other (see comments listed below)	15.17%	27		
Total	100%	178		
Other				
McMinn Park is awesome				
Walk the beach				
CB 55+ activities located at CB Elementary School				
Biking				
What is a community facility				
Pickleball				
Native plant study, photography				
Paddle boarding and kayaking				
Enjoying music events				
Beaches				
Biking Lochside Trail				
Stair climbing, going to Mattick's or Beach House				
Photography				
Swimming				



# Q24: What is your favourite park/trail/facility to visit in Cordova Bay and why?

A sample of comments include the following:

- Network of trails in Cordova Bay
- Playing pickleball at McMinn Park
- Doumac Park a natural ravine with tall trees and wildlife
- Beckton Park for the large number of mature trees cool in summer heat
- All the beach accesses to enjoy the beach
- Cycling in the canopy of trees along Lochside Trail
- Cordova Bay beach for the walking and swimming
- Agate Park for the greenspace and beach
- Something for everyone at McMinn Park
- Accessibility at McMorran Park
- Walking the dog on the beach
- McMinn Park for kids' playground
- Parker Beach is a great place to swim, socialize, and walk dogs





# Q25: What ideas do you have to improve parks and trails in Cordova Bay?

The most common themes in the comments are:

- Improve or update existing parks
- Add more parks and playgrounds
- Improve existing and/or add more trails for walking and biking
- Protect nature, parks, trails and the natural environment
- Improve existing and/or add more trail connections

- Add more dog parks and/or dog-friendly places
- Improve wayfinding (signs, maps)
- Improve existing and/or add more public washrooms

Sample Comments:

"Improve beach access points."

"Better facilities, more benches and picnic tables."

"A trail connecting to Elk Lake would be nice."

*"Finish signing all trails. Provide all trail connectors maps to show how one can hike up and down the Ridge from Mattick's through to Sunnymead...it is an incredible network that many are unaware of."* 

"Make sure we have bathrooms at all playgrounds; upgrade older parks like Lochside."





## Q26: What environmental features do you value most in Cordova Bay?

The most common themes in the comments are:

- Beach, foreshore, and ocean
- Trees and forest remnants
- Tall Douglas-fir trees and ecosystem
- Creeks and natural areas
- Wildlife
- Haro Strait

#### Sample Comments:

"Tall coniferous forest remnants and views of the Bay."

"Beautiful beach, lack of pollution, natural landscape."

"The beach and the nature it attracts—herons, seals, water activities."

"Trees! The trees provide such grounding. The birds who live in them are the soundtrack to the neighbourhood. They are crucial."

"The Galey Brook estuary and the small length of creek not culverted (at McMinn) is obviously a special place, but much neglected. Revans Creek at Doumac is also remarkable and seemingly better cared fro than Galey Brook."

"Areas for wildlife are really important and we should minimize encroaching on them."



# Q27: What do you think are the key priorities for Cordova Bay addressing climate change?

A sample of the comments includes the following:

- Expand facilities to increase active transportation use
- Better land use through modest density increases
- Sea level rise and coastal erosion
- Preservation of the tree canopy
- Reduce vehicle emissions
- Reducing emissions from residential buildings (i.e. solar panels, energy retrofits)
- Sustainable model of planning and decision-making
- Limit "monster" homes and large lot as inefficient land use
- Expand public transportation
- Reduce consumption
- Promote social diversity
- Electric vehicle charging stations
- Retain agricultural land
- Increased rain events and slope stability
- Sustainable business practices like packaging

#### Sample Comments:

"Less reliance on cars. Better walking paths closer to main route."

*"Dealing with the impact of rising sea levels on the shoreline and water supply in the face of increasing dry seasons."* 

*"Less combustion engine vehicles. A full solar program for every building. Let's drop our emissions to a big fat goose egg."* 





# Q28: Is there anything else that you think should be considered as part of the LAP update?

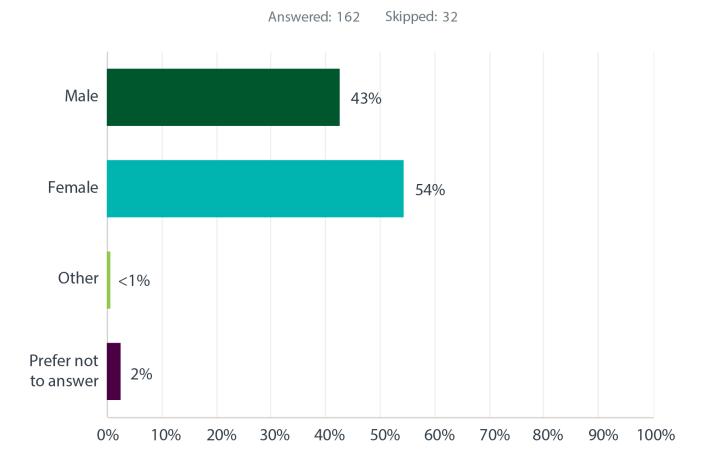
#### The comments include the following:

- Recognition of First Nations heritage
- New community centre
- Less confusion between the LAP and the OCP
- Appropriate Design Permit Guidelines
- Preservation of views
- Provision of community amenities during redevelopment
- More frequent LAP updates
- An LAP that is respected by Council and staff once approved
- New developments that fit within the seaside character of Cordova Bay
- Designated locations for affordable housing
- Consult younger demographics
- Eliminate the use of pesticides
- Promote tree pruning
- Protection of rural land by keeping development within urban areas
- Affordable aging-in-place housing options for Cordova Bay seniors
- Bringing the West Ridge into the urban area
- A clear definition of form and character





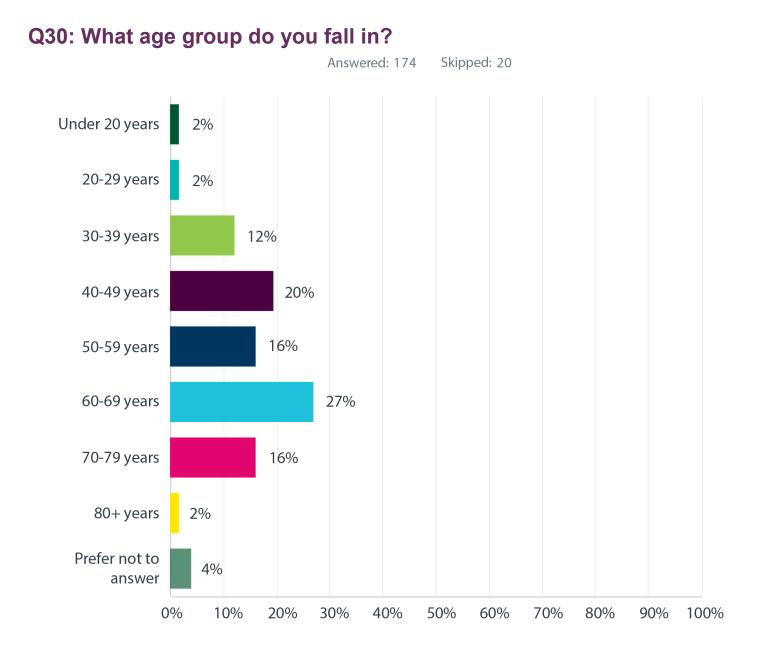
# Q29: Are you?



Answer choices	Resp	Responses	
Male	42.59%	69	
Female	54.32%	88	
Other	0.62%	1	
Prefer not to answer	2.47%	4	
Total	100%	162	







Answer choices	Resp	Responses	
Under 20 years	1.72%	3	
20-29 years	1.72%	3	
30-39 years	12.07%	21	
40-49 years	19.54%	34	
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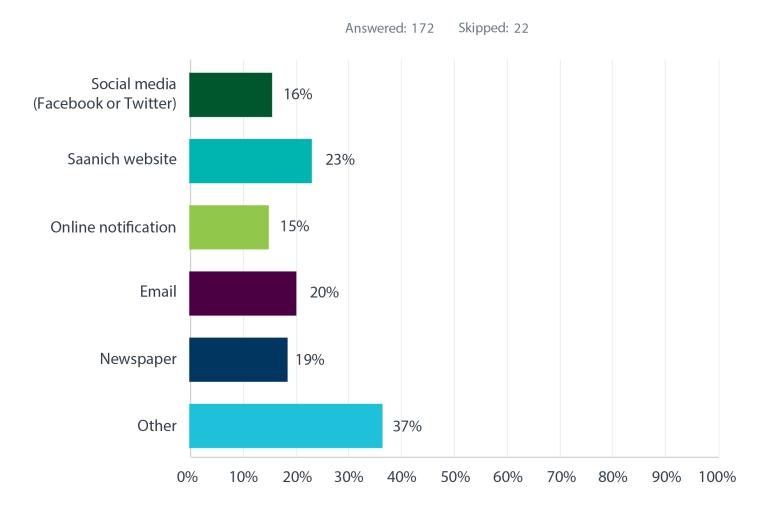
# Q30: continued...

Answer choices	Responses	
50-59 years	16.09%	28
60-69 years	27.01%	47
70-79 years	16.09%	28
80+ years	1.72%	3
Prefer not to answer	4.02%	7
Total	100%	174





# Q31: How did you hear about this survey? (check all that apply)

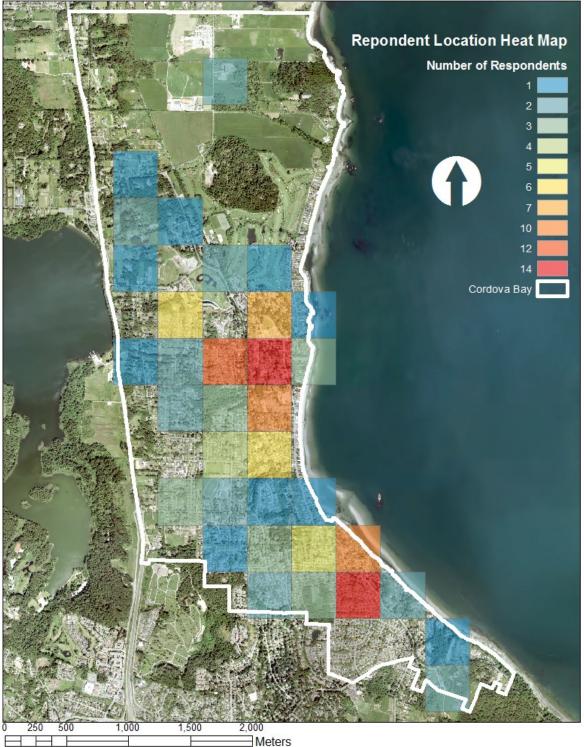


Answer choices	Resp	Responses	
Social media (Facebook or Twitter)	15.70%	27	
Saanich website	23.26%	40	
Online notification	15.12%	26	
Email	20.35%	35	
Newspaper	18.60%	32	
Other	36.63%	63	
Total		172	





# Q32: What is your postal code?







# **Open House Feedback**

At the Cordova Bay Visioning Open Houses on April 28 and May 2, 2018, participants were encouraged to write down their ideas on sticky notes and place them on corresponding display boards. The following is a summary of the comments received with the most common comments noted below. The full set of open house display board comments can be seen in Appendix B.

What type of housing is most needed in Cordova Bay and why?

- Affordable housing, especially for seniors and families
- Rental housing
- Mixed housing (multi-family apartments or townhouses)
- More seniors housing options
- Garden suites
- Housing that fits in with the current character of Cordova Bay (i.e. low-rise multi-family and infill single family housing)

#### What are your ideas for improving the Cordova Bay Village and Surrounding Area?

- More retail and community amenities (i.e. coffee shop, pub, grocery store, paddle board and kayak rentals, fish store, library, medical centre, etc.)
- Community gathering places (theatre, pub, community recreation centre)
- Improved public transit service and routes
- Safer biking and walking paths (sidewalks, controlled crosswalks, and bike lines)
- Traffic calming on main roads

#### What ideas do you have to improve transportation and mobility in Cordova Bay?

- Add sidewalks and crosswalks to help improve safety (especially around schools)
- Remove parking or calm traffic on Lochside drive in order to improve safety for all users
- Install bike lanes / multi-use pathways along major roadways (especially Cordova Bay Road)
- Improve public transit service



What ideas do you have to improve parks, trails, and community facilities in Cordova Bay?

- Increase the number of parks and/or improve existing parks as well as provide a variety of activities within them (i.e. playgrounds, interactive learning, outdoor workout equipment, off-leash dog areas, tennis and pickleball)
- Improve existing washrooms and add more facilities at major parks and beach accesses
- Maintain the natural aspects of Cordova Bay and celebrate it
- Improve, maintain, and add trail connections and beach accesses where possible/necessary

#### What environmental features do you value most in Cordova Bay?

- The forest, trees, vegetation, and wildlife
- The beach and ocean
- Trail network
- Farm lands
- Quiet

#### How do you experience the natural environment in Cordova Bay?

- The beach and/or swimming, paddling, boating
- Walking and running in natural areas
- Biking along trails
- Walking dogs

#### What are the key priorities for Cordova Bay in addressing climate change?

- Promote and install electric vehicle charging stations
- Improve walkability and transit
- Reduce dependence on automobiles
- Support solar panels and other green-energy solutions
- Ban all single-use plastics
- Improve education about climate change, sustainability, natural disasters, etc. Teach people about composting, renewable energy, recycling, invasive species, reducing carbon footprint, etc.





### What do you do to reduce your carbon footprint?

- Drive an electric or small efficient car
- Ride bike
- Reduce number of trips (i.e. shopping and errands all in one trip)
- Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

# It's 2038 and you've just returned to Cordova Bay after 20 years away. What do you want to see?

- Recognition of indigenous history, culture, and heritage sites
- A diverse community with people of all ages and abilities
- The preservation of the village, rural, beach community character
- A green and sustainable community that respects and celebrates nature
- More shops, grocery stores, restaurants, community services, and social gathering places for a variety of ages
- Improved transportation options with a better transit service, and more people walking and cycling than driving

#### What is one innovative idea for Cordova Bay?

- Electric car charging stations and incentives
- Limit house and ot size and allow for infill development
- Improve transit services
- One-way traffic on Lochside to allow for sidewalk
- A community or recreation centre (a community gathering place indoors or out)
- Step Code 5 and/or Passive House building requirements





#### Moments in History comments:

- The Coast Salish Village "Tselleethch" is located in Cordova Bay (near Agate Lane) and has been occupied for centuries. Fragile archaeological remains from this village and related sites continue in our community. 1892 the South Saanich Treaty is signed between Douglas and the ancestors of Wsanec Lekwungen communities. Our treaty relationship continues from this and should be recognized and implemented.
- There must be recognition and celebration of Indigenous communities

#### Infrastructure comments:

- Repair existing sewer and storm drain infrastructure and/or extend service area
- Electric car charging stations

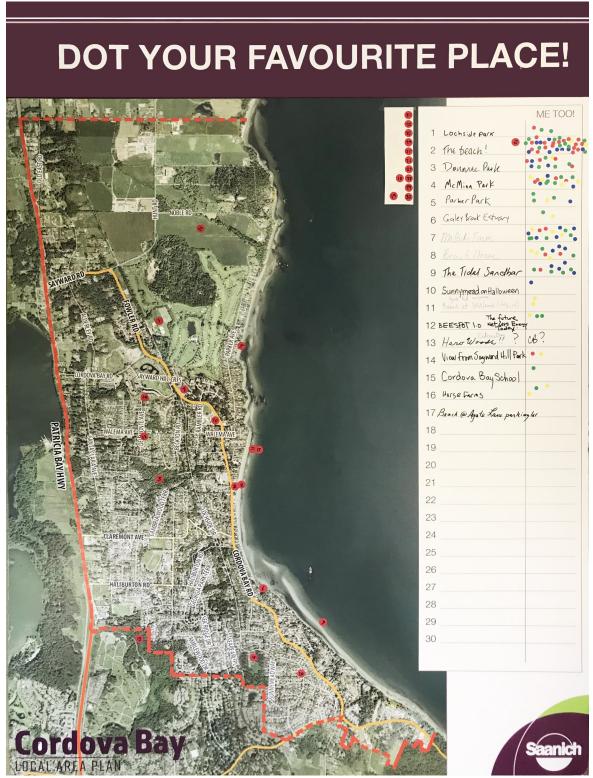
#### Agriculture and Food Security comments:

- Maintain ALR and encourage actual farm use
- Community vegetable gardens
- Address food waste
- More farms of all sorts
- Home farming on small lots
- More farmers markets





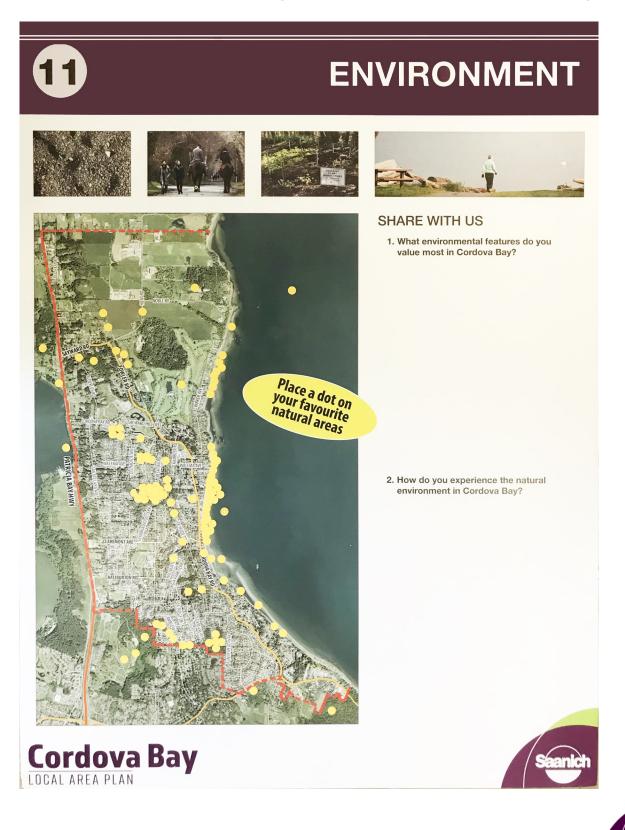
## Tell us what you love about Cordova Bay.







## What environmental features do you value most in Cordova Bay?







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