

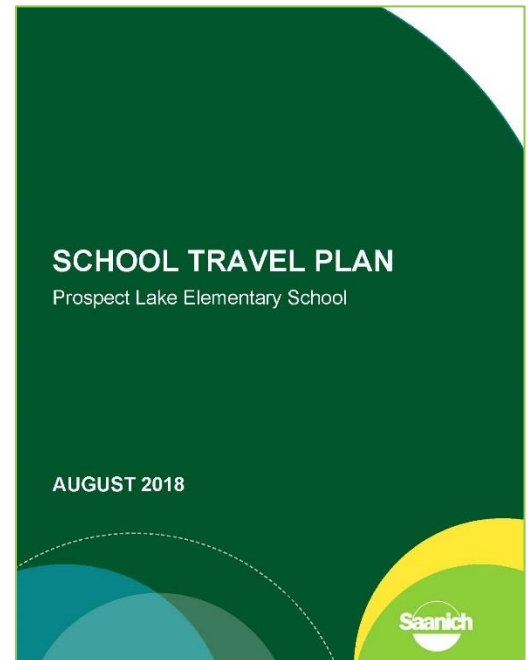
Prospect Lake Elementary School Update

Background

The District of Saanich is committed to improving safety around its 39 schools and encouraging parents and children to choose active ways of getting to and from school. Active travel is not only a healthier choice, it is better for the environment and increases quality social time for families and friends in the neighbourhood.

Active and Safe Routes to School is a community based initiative that promotes the use of active transportation (walking, biking, bussing, and rolling) for the daily trip to and from school. To be successful, Active and Safe Routes to School involves many groups, including parents, students and school administration, school boards, municipal staff, public health, and local law enforcement agencies.

In 2015 the District of Saanich began work with the CRD, individual school Principals, Parent Advisory Committees, and the School District to develop planning documents to help guide future infrastructure decisions and identify solutions to problems in each school's vicinity. Every school community has its own concerns and suggestions for ways to reduce or eliminate them. Each solution might be the responsibility of a different municipal department or even level of government. The purpose of this document is to provide an update to the school community on work that has been completed, and what is still left to do.



Prospect Lake Elementary School completed their School Travel Plan in 2018. The complete Prospect Lake Elementary School Travel Plan can be found on our website at the following link:

<https://www.saanich.ca/EN/main/community/getting-around/walking/safe-routes-to-school.html>

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On the next page you will find a table summarizing the key actions and the status of each.

Prospect Lake Elementary School is currently scheduled to revisit this plan in 2027.

If you have questions, suggestions or comments about this document or any of the actions identified. Please contact engineering@saanich.ca and one of our staff will be happy to help in any way they can.

Location	Description	Implementation	Status

Prospect Lake/West Saanich/ Sparton	Crosswalk lights are not functioning property (lights burnt out?); cars are not seeing the flashing lights and are not stopping Many safety concerns; request for full traffic lights	Review of light function complete. Crosswalk will be upgraded as part of the West Saanich/Prospect Lake/Sparton project. Construction tentatively scheduled for 2019	Burnt out lights were replaced. Traffic signal to be installed 2022.
Prospect Lake Rd	Paved sidewalk – cars drive over the path and park on it; covered with debris (leaves), narrow width, uneven surface (roots pushing up the pavement); feels unsafe in portions because it is narrow or too many people parked on it	Widen and formalize it as a multi-use path (particularly between Whitehead Park/school/ West Saanich Rd); add curb or physical barrier between sidewalk and road Portion of sidewalk (intersection to the school) will be widened into a multi-use path as part of the intersection project.	Short term - Upgrades planned as part of the W. Saanich/ Prospect Lake intersection upgrades
West Saanich Rd	School zone “40km/hr when children on road” – hard to enforce, request for regular school zone; suggestion that it could be part of the village development	Prospect Lake Elementary is not located on West Saanich Road, typically 30km school zone signs are placed at streets where the school resides.	Review complete - W. Saanich does not warrant the installation of 30km/h signs
Prospect Lake Rd	Currently do not have dedicated cycling facilities on Prospect Lake Road	Consider installation of dedicated facilities. This is identified as a cycling route as part of the District Active Transportation Plan.	This is identified in the Active Transportation Plan as a Long-Term Priority
Sparton between community hall and West Saanich Rd	Request for sidewalk and bike lanes	This will be added to the sidewalk priority list and reviewed as budget and priorities permit	A sidewalk will be built in 2022 along with traffic calming to make this section more suitable for cycling.

<p>Interurban Trail</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Large chunky and loose gravel is difficult for kids to bike safely on; request for paving; o Request for maintenance – large potholes have been created where vehicles cross the trail; o Request for improved signage- driveway crossings; o Request for increase awareness of bike trails/how to use 	<p>The District is working with the CRD on the wastewater project. Existing loose coarse gravel will be replaced with fine compacted gravel as part of this project from Interurban to Willis Point. After completion Parks to review and identify locations for additional signage.</p>	<p>Completed</p>
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