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**Date:** March 2, 2021 at 2:28:15 PM PST

To: sfast@islandstrust.bc.ca

**Reply-To:** 

Sue Ellen Fast,

March 2, 2021

To: Islands Trust Council

Re: Policy Statement, Housing and Communities

## Trustees:

Please – as you consider your mandate for the world that is upon us: Protect the environment by supporting and sustaining a strong, vibrant demographically-varied community.

As our gulf islands' Planning Authority, Islands Trust and our Trustees must continue to see as their responsibility the protection of the environment through the enabling and protection of a healthy, diverse community. This duality is crucial – finding and supporting solutions for attainable, affordable housing is key to sustainable communities that can make good decisions in this accelerating climate crisis. Smart planning with wise incentives can achieve a positive impact on the environment.

The Hornby Island community needs local plumbers, electricians, care workers, teachers, food growers etc. etc. who can live on the island – not those who must travel on two fuel-intensive ferries to service the needs of a what is fast becoming simply a playground for the wealthy.

Please, I'm writing to implore you, as you consider any revisions to Policy Statement, reject the proposal of removing housing from the priority list and community sustainability from the mandate of the Trust.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

JoAnn Harrison Resident of Hornby Island for 24 years