

From: Executive Admin
Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2021 3:57 PM
To: Islands2050
Subject: First Reading of new Policy

Hello all Trustees

As a director of a business of resort tourism and ownership of approximately 44 acres of forest lands zoned Rural Residential on Saturna Island, I write to whole heartedly endorse the below message from Mairead Boland. In addition, this is so obviously underhanded given the jamming of information and response time in a very short window of time, especially during a Global Pandemic that effectively closed most Guld Islands to travel to or from them until last week, is simply outrageous. **Given this policy will affect the next ten generations of Islanders, your constituents, there is simply no excuse for this kind of steamroll behaviour.** It is time to accept your mistake, assuming it was, and do the right thing.

I strongly object to the First Reading and suggest the matter be simply adjourned to the next meeting date so all the Trustees may seek real input from the people who elected them.

Do the right thing.

Sincerely

Geord Holland

“To all Trustee representatives,

For inclusion in the agenda package and consideration at the meeting on July 8th.

As a resident on Saturna I am requesting that you, our elected representatives, halt the process to read and approve this NEW policy until face to face, live, open consultations can be held on every island.

I have read and understand the NEW policy content and I reject it.

To my knowledge this is the first time (June 15th) that the NEW Policy has been in the public domain. To date any perfunctory consultations have been speculative and vague. The specifics of this new policy are disturbing.

Some key points to support this request to halt the readings process until face to face consultation can be held on every island include:

This is not just a revision but a totally new mandate and priorities.

Authentic public consultation has been flawed and is incomplete. The consultation process has been flawed in the extreme - for example - to hold an online, anonymous survey, during a pandemic, when many of your target population are in isolation is undemocratic in the extreme.

Many of those same constituents are not technologically adept and have had limited access to face to face community meetings for any reason - so their information channels have been limited.

The Proposed New IT Policy contains a substantial increase in IT's scope of control. Some are good. Some are alarming and usurp other Provincial jurisdictions. Some simply make no sense.

This New Policy Statement lacks the customary Schedule of Definitions, yet introduces undefined new and key phrases.

Thank you,
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