

Subject: Support for 3Ravens

May 11, 2026

Dear Denman Island Planners and Trustees,

I have read and understand the 3Ravens affordable housing application. I fully support this project and believe it will contribute to our community's resilience and well-being.

I have lived in the Denman Community for over fifty years and since 2009 have relied on rental housing, no longer being able to afford property. Between 2009 and 2021 I had to move ten times, though some rentals lasted several years, others were only months long. I was living on a limited income and could not afford the increasing rents, nor could I adequately fulfill labour trade-offs. It was draining and stressful, an experience shared by many others on our island.

Fortunately, through the generosity of friends, I now have secure, affordable housing. I've experienced the relief and contentment that comes with that security. And the fresh energy to make a bigger life, free of distress.

All members of our community deserve secure housing they can afford, whatever their income. 3Ravens Co-op is structured to combine affordability and the security of shared ownership. It forms a part of an ecosystem of housing solutions for our island. It more than meets the needs of some Islanders, who might otherwise never be able to afford a property of their own, but together can create something greater than the sum of their individual parts. 3Ravens offers a foundation for their life going forward.

I hope you will treat this project with the respect it deserves and keep in mind the urgency of the island's housing problems, which create frustration and distress for many.

Thank you,

Dorrie Woodward

