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Subject: Vacation Rental Bylaws

Good day,

We left the last in-house Vacation Rental Bylaw meeting of January 23, 2026 at the Hornby Hall, with hearts a bit lighter due to the final words as the meeting came to a close...'how about we set the cap at 100', and we all clapped 'YES', and went on our way. Now we're told our trusted Trustees have changed their minds again and the new possible bylaws will be laid out at the next HISTRA meeting on Friday, March 20, 2026.

We implore you to STOP the process of allowing only permanent Hornby residents to be allowed to do vacation rental and cap it at 65!

We have written to you before stating our position, but we will state it again. We inherited our home on Hornby when my parents passed away. My parents purchased a cabin at Whaling Station Bay Estates in the mid-1970's. I've been going to my beloved Hornby for my holidays for 55 years now, far longer than most permanent residents have been there, I'm sure. We are simple blue collar workers and we must rent during the summer months as it is the only possible way we can manage to keep our home due to a hefty mortgage (having to buy my sister out when Dad passed away), and the constant escalating land taxes and house insurance. We don't like to rent out our home for obvious reasons, we'd far rather we could be there all summer. We spend a lot of time there during the off season.

If you force us to stop renting for 8 weeks of the year, we will definitely have to sell our home on Hornby and I can assure you the only people rich enough to buy it will **a)** hardly ever be there, **b)** certainly not be shopping at all Hornby has to offer like our renters and we love to

do (I wonder how the Co-op will survive), and **c**) consider our home a 'tear down' and build yet another huge monstrosity which will not only drive up the land taxes even more, but be an awful eyesore for all the permanent residents that get to be on and enjoy Hornby (not us!). Your decision is HUGE for our family and, by the sounds of it, many more families in the same position as us. **It will be devastating!**

Please do the right thing and STOP this process you are suggesting. We would like to humbly suggest 'capping' the number of rentals where they are now.

We hope to stop renting in a couple of years when my husband retires (I have just retired), and we plan on selling our primary home and downsizing, paying off our Hornby mortgage and spending much, much more time at our Hornby home, and we won't have to rent anymore.

Thank you for taking the time to read our plea and taking great consideration.

Regards, Miranda-Jo and Dave Andersen