



Islands Trust

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Hello Community! I took part in an important Regional Planning committee meeting in November. We endorsed the first 10 tools of the Housing Options Toolkit which you can find here:

<https://islandstrust.bc.ca/programs/housing-affordability/>

This toolkit has support for housing and planning related projects. It was created to address the need for a diversification of housing options. This is not a finalized toolbox, rather a working project that can be changed and updated as needed. If you are concerned about housing, I'd highly recommend taking a look at it.

In other news, you may have heard that I'm leaving the island. I do expect to receive criticism for this move, but I just cannot make ends meet. I'm sure you all know that I'm very busy working here, there and everywhere. Problem is that much of it is volunteer. But you are also an Islands Trustee?! My monthly pay cheque (you can look this up) is \$858.61 which although isn't nothing, is more of an honorarium than a living wage. This position is 90% online, and I have every intention of continuing on as trustee. I am still and always will be involved in my community. My roots are on Lasqueti and I understand the intricacies and challenges of living here. Why people move here and why people stay. I hope to gain experience so that I can return and work here remotely. In the meantime, my email and phone line is always open.

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