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Trust Committee,

We desperately need housing for our essential need workers, grocery clerks, health care workers teachers etc. As well as for those that provide other essential needs such as child care, farmers, people that provide personal services such as hairdressers, reflexologist, massage therapists etc. We need to have the empty homes tax reinstated for the gulf islands and enforcement on the illegal Airbnb's on the island. When walking about in a 4 km walkabout I counted numerous homes rented out to tourists that do not have owners on site.

Margaret Parsons