



Town of Comox Official Community Plan

Client: Town of Comox **Project Completion:** June 2011

Scope of Work: Official Community Plan, Zoning Bylaw, Public Consultation **Partners:** Diamond Head Consulting Ltd., Sustainability Solutions Group, Ear to the Ground Planning, Koers Engineering

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The Arlington Group was retained to update of the Town of Comox OCP. The update process included extensive public consultation, an age-friendly community planning process and a youth engagement component. Public engagement tools included: a project website dedicated to the process and regularly updated; Facebook, Twitter and an online survey as alternative forums for communicating project updates and contributing to the OCP update. The use of these engagement tools made the OCP update more transparent and interactive. Environmental protection, park development and recreational opportunities were key issues throughout the very extensive 18 month process. In order to protect valued environmental resources, the OCP focused on increasing density in and around the downtown and along transit corridors, encouraging a multi-modal transport system and diversifying the housing options to provide for the changing demographics and affordability.