

Affordable Housing Update

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BC Housing has approved an application to the Community Housing Fund (CHF) submitted by Sea to Sky Community Services (SSCS) in partnership with the Village of Pemberton (the Village), offering 61 new affordable housing units available to community members living in the Village of Pemberton and surrounding areas.

The Village is pleased to provide the most up to date details on this joint Affordable Housing project. It should be noted that this project is in the early beginnings and more information will be shared once this information becomes available. The information below also provides details on how and at what stage the Village and SSCS will be seeking and presenting information to/from the public.

Background timeline:

- In July 2020, the Village was approached by SSCS about an affordable housing project partnership under the provincial Building BC: Community Housing Fund.
- In September 2020, Council passed a resolution to provide a letter of support on behalf of the Village in support of SSCS' application for funding to the BC Housing Community Housing Fund.
- The Village and SSCS identified potential development sites and developed a shared strategy to pursue acquisition. Following a detailed review, only the property located at the intersection of Harrow Road and Highway 99 (outlined in the Map below) was suitable for consideration.
- In June 2021, the Village was informed that SSCS was notified by BC Housing that the application under the Building BC: Community Housing Fund was successful.



This new project will provide housing to families, seniors and persons with disabilities. The proposed location on Harrow Road, will offer 32 units allocated to independent families, comprised of eight (8) 3-bedroom units and twenty-four (24) 2-bedroom units, and 29 units allocated to independent seniors and persons with disabilities (1-bedroom units). The latter will also include eight (8) dedicated accessible units for persons with disabilities. The detailed design is not yet available.

It should again be noted that we are at the very beginning phases of this project, and we are working together with our partners to bring forward a communication and public engagement plan to ensure participation from all residents and certainly those living in the Glen.

In order for this project to proceed, an amendment to the Official Community Plan as well as the Zoning bylaw will be required. This will trigger substantial community consultation and will provide the public and key stakeholders opportunities to view concept drawings and "Have their Say." This project's success will rely heavily on community and neighborhood support and engagement.

This joint project supports the Village's initiatives and the community by pursuing affordable housing solutions. Now more than ever, as we deal with the impacts of the pandemic, building a stronger community as we gradually recover is a priority.

For more information on the Affordable Housing engagement and initiatives, please visit haveyoursay.pemberton.ca/affordable-housing-pemberton