

## Frequently Asked Questions - Lansdowne South Land Disposal Greater Victoria School District No. 61

This document is intended to provide additional information for the public on the proposed land disposal at Lansdowne South Campus. Frequently asked questions put forward throughout the engagement are featured below, in case any other members of the public may have the same question.

### **1) Are aware of the Bowker Creek Blueprint?**

Yes. The Board of Education passed a motion in 2018 that states: "That the Board of Education endorse in principle the Bowker Creek Blueprint". The Board will need to consider its commitment in principle, including the context under which the District committed in 2018 and what has changed in the meantime, if anything, when it considers the decision (3 readings of the bylaw) to dispose of the property.

The motion and plan is available on the Lansdowne South Land Disposal webpage under additional resources: <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/news/title/victoria-hospice-society-to-purchase-property-from-greater-victoria-school-district/>

### **2) How will feedback be provided to the Board?**

All input provided will be compiled and gathered in an engagement summary report for the Board to review prior to making a decision about the proposed land disposal. The report will include the recorded information session and the correspondence provided through the community inbox. The Board will review the report prior to December's Board Meeting.

### **3) What are the projections for Lansdowne feeder schools?**

The projections for Lansdowne feeder schools were posted as requested online after the public information session: <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/91/2021/10/Lansdowne-Middle-School-Feeder-School-Projections-by-Grade-2021-11.pdf>

### **4) Can you confirm the property boundary?**

The Richmond property plan is available here: <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/91/2021/10/Richmond-Property-Plan.pdf>

If the proposal were to go forward, The Greater Victoria School District would still be a neighbour of the creek. The property would also be re-surveyed if the Board moves forward with the transaction.

### **5) Has Victoria Hospice considered other land options or purchases?**

The District cannot speak on behalf of the Victoria Hospice Society (VHS). The District was approached by VHS with interest in this specific property. The Board determined to move forward with a consultation process that would raise public awareness and gather community voice to inform their decision on this specific potential land disposal.

At this point time, the Board has not made a decision or explored the use of other properties, as VHS is specifically expressed interested in this parcel of land.

### **6) Has the BC Riparian Areas Protection Act has been taken into account?**

If the proposal were to be approved by the Board, then VHS would have to through the process of attaining building and streamside permits through the District of Saanich and other regulatory requirements. Both the Board and VHS recognize this is a sensitive protective area.

*\*Any questions regarding Victoria Hospice's proposal or processes will need to be directed to Victoria Hospice. Thank you!*