

Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 8:49 AM
To: Taylor Morrison; Consultation
Subject: RE: Question regarding map

Hello Taylor,

I am awaiting further information, once I receive that, I will pass that along to you.



Dale Burgos (He/Him/His)

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From: Taylor Morrison
Sent: February 28, 2022 3:09 PM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Question regarding map

CAUTION: External Message

Hello,
Thank you for your email regarding our thoughts on the four possible scenarios for the north end schools. I have a question regarding the map that will impact our families thoughts. I took a screen shot of the map below and circled an area. We live on Osprey lookout by Stephenson point. We are wondering if this little jot out in the boarder includes us in the Hammond bay or departure bay school? It's hard to look at the map and this makes a big difference.
Thank you!

Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 8:49 AM
To: Marcus Little; Consultation
Subject: RE: Long Range Facilities Plan: changing school boundaries

Hello Marcus,

I am awaiting further information, once I receive that, I will pass that along to you.



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From: Marcus Little
Sent: February 28, 2022 3:02 PM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Long Range Facilities Plan: changing school boundaries

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Hi, I had some questions on the long term facilities plan.

In scenario 2, the satellite image isn't clear enough to me whether our home would change school catchment zones. My address is , Planta Road. Can you confirm whether that's the case?

I have 3 daughters. One of which is already attending Departure Bay. The other start attending this fall and the youngest in fall 2024.

We love Departure Bay and even my youngest kids that aren't attending are comfortable with the staff and the school grounds.

What happens if a catchment zone changes for a family that's already attending a school?

The bizarre thing about this line is brand new houses that have been built within the 6-12 months are in the Departure Bay zone. But our house is *right on the edge* of this red zone.

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From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Friday, April 1, 2022 1:16 PM
To: Andrea Piasentin; Consultation
Subject: RE: Open Rutherford School

Thank you for your feedback. It will be shared with the Board of education and senior staff.

Regards,



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From: Andrea Piasentin
Sent: March 30, 2022 11:20 AM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Open Rutherford School

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I think opening Rutherford School would be the best option and also changing the elementary schools to go to grade 8 to take some of the burden off the high school that is bursting at the seams. Changing Rutherford School to a 7-9 school, it would take the burden off a lot of the elementary schools and Dover Bay and possibly Wellington as well.

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From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Friday, April 1, 2022 1:16 PM
To: Soren Sigmar; Consultation
Subject: RE: Feedback

Hello Soren,

Thank you for your feedback. It will be shared with the Board of education and senior staff.

Regards,



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From: Soren Sigmar
Sent: March 31, 2022 4:21 PM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Feedback

I just started working at Dover Bay in February (teaching Phys Ed) and I have noticed that the athletic facilities don't meet the needs of students. There is not enough gym space for the number of students, the weight room is small and the equipment is outdated, and the field is unusable for most of the school year because of the poor drainage. With the projected growth in the north end, the number of students will obviously increase dramatically at Dover Bay. In order to provide students with quality physical education and athletic opportunities these facilities need to be upgraded and expanded. I have talked with the Phys Ed staff at Dover and most of them identify upgrading our fields as a top priority. It would be awesome to see a turf field (or 2) installed, similar to the one at NDSS.

Thanks,
Soren Sigmar

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From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Friday, April 1, 2022 1:17 PM
To: Debbie Sandeman-Allen; Consultation
Subject: RE: Long Range Facilities Plan - Addressing Capacity Issues in the North End

Hello Debbie,

Thank you for your feedback. It will be shared with the Board of education and senior staff.

Regards,



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Sent: March 31, 2022 11:22 PM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Re: Long Range Facilities Plan - Addressing Capacity Issues in the North End

CAUTION: External Message

I would like to put my vote in for **scenario #2** for a number of reasons:

- even though the building requires upgrades and additional costs for administration and opening, the district has already done work on it to allow Pleasant Valley school to attend. So part of the process has already been completed and paid for.
- With Rutherford sitting empty, there are still maintenance costs and the facility will continue to downgrade without sufficient upkeep. So it would be wise to re-open it for use so that that cost would be used to maintain a working facility rather than warehousing a building sitting idle. You have it, why not use it?
- It would allow Hammond Bay to expand as a French Immersion school as originally planned. It just doesn't make sense to reduce the French Immersion program when it's so popular and needed.
- It would allow the reduction of the Frank J. Ney bus program, therefore reducing the district's carbon footprint and allowing a majority of the students to walk to school (something which the parents on my street would greatly appreciate since we live a stones' throw from Rutherford). Having children walk to school involves parents as well, it enhances the community around the school, and is more efficient at building a community, especially with concerts and

programs. We want an open school in our community where we can go and participate in things and not just have an empty shell sitting there unused and wasting away.

- If the district continues to leave Rutherford sitting empty, what is the expected outcome? Will it just crumble away into a pile of rubble? The argument of the amount of work needed to bring it up to code is used against its opening, but NDSS is far, far, far worse and it's still operating and will need to be fixed up or replaced. Fixing up Rutherford School needs to be done sometime anyway so why not now? I see no reason to not move ahead and open Rutherford and increase the capacity by 400 students.

- opening Rutherford would help with overcrowding at the other schools in the area.

- my understanding is that the land that Rutherford is on was donated with the soul purpose of placing a school on it many many years ago. If I or a family member had donated the land for this purpose I would be terribly upset that it is now now being used for that purpose.

So many reasons to re-open Rutherford when it should not have been closed in the first place. It has affected kids and parents by adding stress, travel time, safety getting to and from school, splitting up kids friendships as they go to different schools than each other and loss of community in the surrounding area.

I vote re-open Rutherford!

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Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Friday, April 1, 2022 1:17 PM
To: Grant Sandeman-Allen; Consultation
Subject: RE: Long Range Facilities Plan - Addressing Capacity Issues in the North End

Hello Grant,

Thank you for your feedback. It will be shared with the Board of education and senior staff.

Regards,



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From: Grant Sandeman-Allen
Sent: April 1, 2022 1:14 AM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Long Range Facilities Plan - Addressing Capacity Issues in the North End

CAUTION: External Message

Hello

Re: Long Range Facilities Plan - Addressing Capacity Issues in the North End

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- If the district continues to leave Rutherford sitting empty, what is the expected outcome? It will only just get more and more expensive to fix it up. Even now, with the cost of building materials going up, the District has missed out on getting Rutherford back in service at the most reasonable cost compared to what the cost will be going forward.
- An empty building is an invitation for all kinds of trouble as we saw a few years ago when the protesters moved in and did considerable damage.
- having students literally walk past an empty school to get on a bus and drive 15 minutes down the road to another school never made sense in the first place. It should never have been closed.
- Rutherford is in the centre of McGirr, Randerson, and Frank J New. By opening Rutherford a central catchment area would allow the outer ring of schools to expand their catchment areas outward from that ring, therefore more efficiently serving an expanding North Nanaimo. The 4 schools would be working together to handle increasing student populations in the North End by collectively covering a larger area. Think of Rutherford and the hub of a wheel and the other three as spokes. Rutherford takes care of the centre and the others radiate outward from that. The other proposals would just affect an area around one school, but with Rutherford opening, the four schools would expand the area in a much more efficient manner.
- Fixing up Rutherford School needs to be done sometime anyway so why not now? I see no reason to not move ahead and open Rutherford and increase the Districts capacity by 400 students.
- I vote to open Rutherford School as soon as Pleasant Valley is finished!

Grant

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From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Friday, April 1, 2022 1:17 PM
To: Myriam Cuadros; Consultation
Subject: RE: Expansion

Hello Myriam,

Thank you for your feedback. It will be shared with the Board of education and senior staff.

Regards,



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From: Myriam Cuadros
Sent: March 29, 2022 6:08 AM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Expansion

CAUTION: External Message

Hi I would like the Rutherford schools to be reopened. That will be the option that makes more sense for the city in terms of location and budget. The infrastructure that is already there has been wasted

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MYRIAM CUADROS

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From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Friday, April 1, 2022 1:18 PM
To: Dax Brown; Consultation
Subject: RE: Capacity issue

Hello Dax,

Thank you for your feedback. It will be shared with the Board of education and senior staff.

Regards,



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From: Dax Brown
Sent: March 29, 2022 11:28 AM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Capacity issue

CAUTION: External Message

I feel remote access will be the most beneficial. The child will be more comfortable in their own environment but the onus and responsibility will lie on them to attend lessons and sessions. Attendance can be reported and relayed back to the parents. Tests and exams can still be performed online as well, teachers can communicate with parents about exams and plan accordingly. This way class size can also expand and questions can still be answered via the online chat or live broadcast

Sent from my Galaxy

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Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2022 11:20 AM
To: Wendy Hall; Consultation
Subject: RE: regarding feed back

Thank your for your feedback. It will be shared with the Board and senior staff.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: March 10, 2022 7:02 PM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: regarding feed back

Hello,

I am not quite sure if this fits into this consultation or not. I was thinking about Departure Bay school. This seems to be a destination school where people from all over Nanaimo come to the school. Two things do they have a maximum amount of students that can attend this school?

Does priority go to the students in the area? Oops sorry there are three items. The parking for this school needs to be looked at. Parents park where ever the can including at the cross walk, also where it says no stopping and of course on Little John Way. Is there any way to get more parking as a lot of the children who attend the school cannot walk to school because of the distance?

Thank you for listening to me

Wendy

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From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2022 11:23 AM
To: Heather Whyte; Consultation
Subject: RE: Long Range Facilities Plan - Departure Bay Catchment Question

Hi Heather,

The maps were not intended to include specific addresses. The report states that the boundaries are draft only. Once the preferred option is identified we will then do further work, including consultation on implantation and final boundaries.

Regards,



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From: Heather Whyte <whyte.hm@gmail.com>
Sent: March 11, 2022 5:22 PM
To: Consultation
Subject: Long Range Facilities Plan - Departure Bay Catchment Question

CAUTION: External Message

Hello,

I am a parent of a student currently enrolled in Departure Bay elementary school.

I am reading through the "Addressing Capacity Issues" Info Booklet to review the scenarios proposed for the Long Range Facilities Plan. I plan to review a bit further next week and provide feedback via ThoughtExchange. I appreciate all the information provided in the Booklet, it is very helpful.

I just wanted to ask a question regarding Departure Bay Elementary catchment. It seems that in any scenario the catchment area will be redrawn along the West side split with Rock City. Can you advise the expected timing for this change? If possible, can you advise if Smugglers Hill Drive and Sherwood Drive will still be included in Departure Bay

catchment? It looks from the map as if this is where the new boundary may be drawn. Our family is on Smugglers Hill Drive between Sherwood Dr and Sheriff Way and my youngest will be enrolled in Sept 2023 for Kindergarten.

I appreciate any information you can provide on this subject.

Thanks very much and warm regards,

Heather

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Heather Whvte

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Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2022 11:24 AM
To: smith sullivan
Cc: Consultation
Subject: RE:

Thank you for your feedback. It will be shared with the Board and district senior staff.

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From: smith sullivan <smith.sullivan@sd68.bc.ca>
Sent: March 12, 2022 10:19 AM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject:

Before and after school childcare

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From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2022 11:25 AM
To: Andrea Cyr; Consultation
Subject: RE: Addressing capacity issues feedback

Hi Andrea,

The exchange did close prematurely, but has been opened. Please proceed to participate via ThoughtExchange.

Thank you!



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From: Andrea Cyr
Sent: March 14, 2022 9:19 AM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Addressing capacity issues feedback

CAUTION: External Message

Hi there! I tried to submit my opinion to the thought exchange, which is supposed to be accessible until April 1st but it says that the exchange is complete.

In my opinion, **Scenario 2** makes the most sense to immediately address the capacity issues. **Re-open Rutherford** and when the board is able to address the safety issues of this school, I like the suggestion to move the students to Woodlands while upgrades are being made. In the meantime, make the upgrades necessary to Woodlands so that it will be ready to use when students get older and there is a need for more high school space.

Keep Hammond Bay single-track FI. Using the expansion to accommodate overflow English students would completely negate the purposes of the expansion. There has been a wait list for french immersion of up to 100 students every year. The FI students will undoubtedly fill up the space provided by the expansion. There will be A LOT of very disappointed and angry parents if the district ignores the need for FI and uses that space for other purposes.

Thank you for this consideration
Andrea Mahoney

Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2022 11:26 AM
To: BronwynandNeil Sawyer Goeller; Consultation
Subject: RE: Thought Exchange not working

Hello Bronwyn,

The exchange close prematurely. It has been fixed, please continue to provide your feedback via ThoughtExchange, the link should work once again.

Thank you for taking part!



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From: BronwynandNeil Sawyer Goeller
Sent: March 20, 2022 1:12 PM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Thought Exchange not working

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Hello,

I am interested in contributing to the Thought Exchange; however, I get the message "This Exchange is now complete" and I cannot enter my comments. In the email circulated on February 28, 2022, we were told that the Thought Exchange would be open until April 1st. Is there a way I can still participate and share my ideas/comments? Thank you.

Regards,
Bronwyn

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From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2022 10:44 AM
To: Scott; Consultation
Subject: RE: North Nanaimo scenarios

Thank you for your feedback Scott. It will be shared with the Board and senior staff.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Scott
Sent: March 8, 2022 6:25 PM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: North Nanaimo scenarios

Hello

The cheapest and quickest to enact would be the scenario with Hammond Bay as a dual track (English & French Immersion). I feel that the other scenarios would be too costly and the time frame on others would be too long. Action needs to happen within the next 2 years as North Nanaimo is expanding at a phenomenal rate.

Thank you for hearing teachers as well as citizens of Nanaimo.

Scott Motley

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 8:45 AM
To: Chantal Blumel
Cc: Consultation
Subject: RE: NLPS Capacity Issues

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From: Chantal Blumel
Sent: February 28, 2022 4:05 PM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: NLPS Capacity Issues

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With respect, Ladysmith has serious capacity issues that need addressing. They've needed addressing for many years now. Hopefully Ladysmith will become a priority soon.

Thank you.
Chantal Blumel

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To: Daniel Pearce; Consultation
Subject: RE: Addressing Capacity Issues

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From: Daniel Pearce <daniel.pearce@sd68.bc.ca>
Sent: March 1, 2022 10:43 AM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Addressing Capacity Issues

CAUTION: External Message

Thank you to staff and the Board for work on this project.

I support option 1 with some level of option 2. Hammond Bay is under capacity and I believe should support both English and French. This would help relieve immediate pressure. This would also decrease the vehicles on Hammond Bay since residents who live close to Hammond Bay School could send their children there.

For Option 2, I never supported closing Rutherford school. Based on the City of Nanaimo's development plans, the area around Rutherford school is will be growing rapidly.

Thank you.

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Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 8:47 AM
To: Katherine Pearce; Consultation
Subject: RE: Feedback on north end long range facilities plan

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Executive Director of Communications, Privacy & Community Engagement Communications Lead, Vancouver Island
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-----Original Message-----

From: Katherine Pearce <
Sent: March 1, 2022 10:54 AM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Feedback on north end long range facilities plan

Hello,

As a member of the public and parent of children at Departure Bay elementary, I would like to provide my feedback on the district's plan to address capacity issues in the north end of Nanaimo.

I have reviewed the "Addressing Capacity Issues" information booklet and the four potential scenarios. Based on the information presented, I believe a combination of scenario 1 and scenario 2 is the best path forward. Action is needed in the immediate short term to take pressure off of the north end schools that are overcapacity, including Departure Bay and Frank Ney.

Opening Hammond Bay to a dual track program would increase walkability, reduce traffic, and allow neighbourhood children to attend their closest school, while reducing the pressure on Frank Ney and Departure Bay. Hammond Bay has existing capacity due to the recent expansion and the projections show that it will continue to be under-utilized.

Furthermore, closing Rutherford was an unfortunate mistake. Reopening the school and utilizing existing facilities would be one of the most cost effective ways of addressing the capacity concerns. It would be a better use of funds than a costly expansion to Departure Bay or building a new school.

I believe that a combination of scenario 1 and 2 as outlined above would be the most practical and cost effective solution to capacity problems in the north end, while also addressing traffic and walkability concerns. Careful consideration should be given to the redrawing of catchments to improve walkability so that children can attend their closest school and avoid crossing busy roads as much as possible.

Departure Bay has major problems related to traffic and lack of walkability, and I am concerned that in addition to the high cost, an expansion would greatly exacerbate these problems. I hope to see the traffic and walkability concerns at Departure Bay suitably addressed by the new path forward. I think that a new school in Linley Valley in the long term

could be a viable option, but this would be expensive, take time to plan, and should be further explored as a possible long term option. In the meantime, a combination of scenario 1 and 2 is the best way forward to immediately address capacity concerns.

Thank you,
Katherine Pearce

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Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 8:48 AM
To: Hanna-Lore Peacock; Consultation
Subject: RE: Long Range Facilities Plan: North End Capacity

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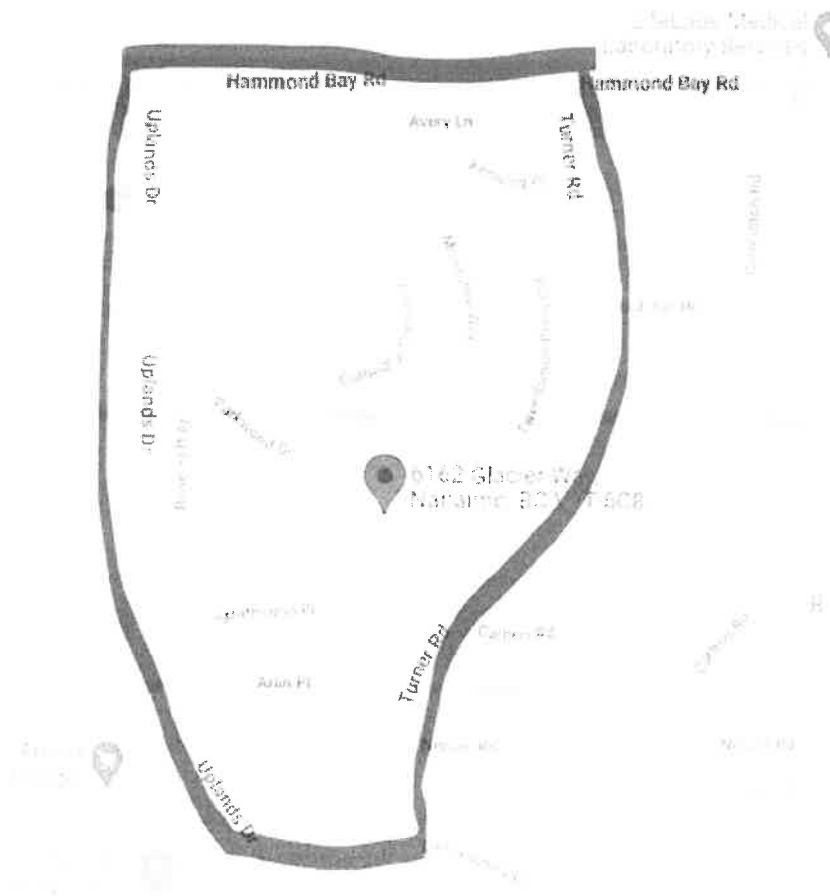
From: Hanna-Lore Peacock
Sent: March 1, 2022 9:25 PM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Long Range Facilities Plan: North End Capacity

CAUTION: External Message

Hello,

After reading the 'Addressing Capacity Issues' information booklet I wanted to express my concerns with regards to the proposed boundaries for scenario 2. I am aware that the proposed boundaries are draft only and subject to change. Therefore, I implore you to reconsider these boundaries in terms of the Parkwood neighborhood (outlined in red in the map below). The current proposal would sever our neighbourhood in nearly half. Why would the decision be to sever a neighbourhood, sending the children in the same neighbourhood to different schools? I would think that adjusting boundaries around major roadways would be more suitable. Our neighbourhood is important to our small community and this would be doing a great disservice to our community and the children and families within the community. The children of Parkwood have always attended Randerson Ridge Elementary. We should not have to suffer the consequences of developments occurring around us i.e., Linley Valley, Nelson Dr, etc.. All of our children in Parkwood should continue to attend Randerson Ridge.

Please reach out if you have any questions.



Thank you,
Hanna Peacock

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Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 8:48 AM
To: Felix Baillargeon; Consultation
Subject: RE: School capacity issues

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From: Felix Baillargeon
Sent: March 2, 2022 1:33 PM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: School capacity issues

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Woodlands High school should be reopened ad alot of student from Central Nanaimo.are in that catchment. It would also prevent overcrowding at Wellington High School and decrease the need for even more portables. Thank you and have a nice day.

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Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 8:48 AM
To: Kirsty Mac Donald; Consultation
Subject: RE: opportunity to provide input on the future of north end school capacity

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From: Kirsty Mac Donald
Sent: March 6, 2022 10:29 AM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: opportunity to provide input on the future of north end school capacity

CAUTION: External Message

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input into your current consultation process.

I am a parent of Hammond Bay elementary students and also a north end resident.

I fully support scenario 1. It offers options for families. It also makes sense for families who live around Hammond Bay school and currently can't walk to their local school and have to join the driving congestion on Hammond Bay Rd to get their english-students to alternative schools. This option is low cost, can be quick and efficient, and can greatly impact the quality of life for families. In the short and longer term, it will also help to pick up new growth as ongoing neighbourhood housing development and infill continues.

My second favourite option is opening up Rutherford School. This is another lower cost and more immediate option. It will help to relieve pressures on McGirr, Randerson, and Frank Ney schools and will increase walkability and quality of life for local families in the long term. In the longer term, it will also help to pick up new growth as neighbourhood housing development continues. It is sad to see this resource under-utilised.

Due to costs and a lack of existing resources, I don't think either scenarios 3 or 4 make sense until scenarios 1 and 2 are fully implemented. There is also more ongoing and immediate residential development on the other end of Hammond Bay Road (near scenarios 1 and 2).

I imagine a similar scenario planning for high schools will also follow suit.

Thanks again for the opportunity to comment.

Kirsty MacDonald

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Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 8:48 AM
To: Donald MacDonald; Consultation
Subject: RE: north end capacity study

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From: Donald MacDonald
Sent: March 6, 2022 10:48 AM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: north end capacity study

CAUTION: External Message

Hello

We have read your north end capacity information and appreciate the opportunity to provide input.

We strongly support scenarios 1 and 2 (in that particular order).

We live near Hammond Bay, Rutherford and Frank Ney schools and see the traffic chaos and transportation issues in our neighbourhood.

It makes sense to start a dual track school at Hammond Bay to assist families in options and help relieve pressure off Frank Ney. Local children in attendance will also help to relieve regional congestion on Hammond Bay.

Scenario 2 also makes sense reduce pressure off Frank Ney school and the Hammond Bay corridor.

Rutherford school is already available to reopen for use.

These scenarios are low cost, easy and immediate.

We don't like scenarios 3 or 4 in the short term. They don't make financial sense and they have more limited community impact.

Hazel and Donald MacDonald

grandparents of north end students

Joyce Francescutto

From: Dale Burgos
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 8:48 AM
To: Scott Motley; Consultation
Subject: RE: Scenarios to address North Nanaimo capacity concerns

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From: Scott Motley
Sent: March 6, 2022 6:54 PM
To: Consultation <consultation@sd68.bc.ca>
Subject: Re: Scenarios to address North Nanaimo capacity concerns

CAUTION: External Message

Hello,
I support Scenario #1: Dual Tracking at Hammond Bay.

Brief Reasoning: As a parent of a child (and two future children), I see great benefit with using the current Hammond Bay development as a chance to relieve the pressure of distances that families have to travel to get to their catchment school. Since Hammond Bay will have a capacity of over 500 students (once construction completes), I am somewhat concerned about traffic congestion. I do hope parking and stop lights are in consideration to help the safety of our citizens who need to cross Hammond Bay Road. Or at least have enforcement to stop those drivers who often travel too fast along this road.

Thank you for hearing the North Nanaimo citizens and assessing what scenario is the best fit for us.

Scott Motley