

NANAIMO LADYSMITH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING

ACTION SHEET

DATE: April 26, 2022
TO: Board of Education
FROM: Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer
SUBJECT: Draft Policy – Participation in Regional Growth and Planning

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) adopt Draft Policy – Participation in Regional Growth and Planning.

Background:

On March 9, 2022, the Board send the attached draft policy out for public input. The background for the policy is in the attached action sheet.

Discussion:

The input is attached. The input received provided feedback specifically regarding how Rights Holders are recognized in the policy. While the suggested changes in the input would generally align with the Board's commitment to reconciliation, staff is not recommending additional changes to the draft policy. Specifically, while not exclusively the policy is focused on the Board's processes for providing input to governments with respect to growth and regional planning. Currently, the jurisdictions with authority to allow growth and land use are municipalities, the two regional districts, the Islands Trust and the three nations in their respective jurisdictions. If the focus of this policy was on the District seeking input then we would recommend that Rights Holders are separated for the purposes of the policy.

Final approval is recommended.

Appendices:

Appendix A: Draft Policy – Participation in Regional Growth and Planning
Appendix B: Consultation Feedback
Appendix C: March 2, 2022, Business Committee Action Sheet