

## HELP SHAPE THE CITY'S CLIMATE & ENVIRONMENT STRATEGY

**NORTH VANCOUVER, BC – OCT. 25, 2021** – The City is developing a Climate and Environment Strategy (CES) to help us become a resilient and sustainable city where everyone thrives. Once complete, the CES will become the City's playbook of actions and policies to cut our carbon pollution and improve our natural environment over the next decade.

The community is invited to participate in an online survey at [letstalk.cnv.org/environment](https://letstalk.cnv.org/environment) before Nov. 26, 2021 to provide feedback on the draft vision, goals and strategies that will form the basis of the plan.

City staff will also be engaging with community stakeholders including committees, organizations, partners, and other groups to gather detailed feedback specific to their areas of interest.

"The effects of climate change are becoming increasingly clear to all of us as we experience more adverse weather events," said Mayor Linda Buchanan. "These challenges require all levels of government to redouble their efforts in building a low carbon and sustainable future. The City of North Vancouver is recognized as a leader in innovative and progressive climate policy and programs. The Climate and Environment Strategy will incorporate new and existing policies to act as the City's roadmap as we plan for a greener future. I encourage all residents to share their ideas."

### How to Provide Feedback

Residents are invited to participate in the engagement process in the following ways:

- Review the Survey Guide to learn more about the proposed vision, goals and strategies at [letstalk.cnv.org/environment](https://letstalk.cnv.org/environment);
- Complete the survey before Nov. 26 at 4pm at [letstalk.cnv.org/environment](https://letstalk.cnv.org/environment); and
- Visit a pop-up event to learn more and provide input:
  - Oct. 27, 10am – 12pm, at the North Vancouver City Library
  - Nov. 3, 10:30am – 1:30pm at North Shore Neighbourhood House
  - Nov. 4, 3pm – 5pm at the North Vancouver City Library
  - Nov. 9, 9:30am – 12:30pm at John Braithwaite Community Centre
  - Nov. 24, 9:30am – 12:30pm at John Braithwaite Community Centre

This is the first phase of community engagement on the CES, and feedback will be used to refine the strategies and goals that will inform the development of the overall draft Strategy. The draft will be presented early next year, and the community will have the opportunity to provide feedback at that time.

### About the Climate & Environment Strategy

Work began on the CES last year, which involved early stakeholder meetings, completing emissions modeling, identifying successes and gaps, and determining focus areas and developing a framework.

The proposed vision within the CES is “a resilient and sustainable City where everyone thrives”, supported by three goals:

- We act with urgency to end carbon pollution
- We live in reciprocity with nature
- We are influential and accountable together

The corresponding strategies are focused on themes, including the community’s pathway to net zero, resilient ecosystems and city, empowered choices and awareness, and leading by example. The proposed strategies and ideas for how the City can achieve these objectives are detailed in the Survey Guide provided at [letstalk.cnv.org/environment](http://letstalk.cnv.org/environment).

The CES will also align with the City's Official Community Plan and build off of other existing City plans and policies relating to climate and environment.

More information about the project is available at [cnv.org/environmentstrategy](http://cnv.org/environmentstrategy).

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