



## The DNV needs your help creating the right policy directions for the new Official Community Plan!

In December 2009, Council endorsed a Vision, Principles and Goals to guide the development of a new Official Community Plan (OCP). The District is now working on developing policy directions related to each goal area.

**A series of public workshops will take place in March through May 2010 to engage members of our community in developing policy directions related to each OCP goal area.** These public workshops build on the outcomes and work from stakeholder workshops held on the same topics. Once policy directions in each goal area are discussed it will be time to look at policy options to determine which ones allow us to attain the OCP goals and vision, and to create a healthy and sustainable future for everyone in our community. Watch for an invitation to a subsequent 'Directions and Choices' public forum in early June 2010.

**You're Invited! Please join us at any or all of the following upcoming public workshops on policy directions in the OCP goal areas. All workshops be held from 7:00 – 9:00pm at the District Hall located at 355 West Queens Road.** Sign-in from 6:45 – 7:00pm. Workshops start at 7:00pm sharp. To pre-register for these events please see the contact information below.

### **Economy – March 23, 2010**

*What land use and policy directions should the District consider to improve our competitiveness, encourage more employment opportunities and promote business investment in our community?*

### **Climate Change – March 25, 2010**

*How can we create energy efficient communities and reduce green house gas emissions? What targets and strategies for emission reductions should we advance?*

### **Environment – April 7, 2010**

*Our natural environment is one of our most important resources. What policy directions should the District consider to protect our ecological systems and services as our watersheds become more urbanized, extreme storm events are becoming more frequent and our biodiversity is threatened through habitat fragmentation and the spread of invasive species?*

### **Housing – April 27, 2010**

*What land use and policy directions should the District consider to enable a diverse mix of housing types and tenures to accommodate the needs of all people, at all stage of life?*

### **Sense of Place – April 29, 2010**

*What land use and policy directions should the District consider towards creating connected, vibrant, well-designed, mixed-use centres while at the same time preserving and enhancing the character of our existing single family neighbourhoods?*

### **Transportation – May 4, 2010**

*What strategies should the District consider towards providing a safe, efficient and accessible network of pedestrian, bike and road ways that allow people to move around efficiently and without having to rely on cars?*

### **Social Strategies – May 19, 2010**

*The people in our community contribute to making the District a welcoming community and a desirable place to live. What direction should the District consider towards fostering a safe, socially inclusive and supportive community that enhances the health and well-being of all residents?*

**RSVP:** To help us determine room space and refreshment needs for these meetings, **please pre-register for these events** through [identity@dnv.org](mailto:identity@dnv.org) or call **604.990.2421**.