

COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE UPDATE TO DECEMBER 10, 2025 (8:30 a.m.)

Correspondence

- (1) 2 submissions, November 29 and December 6, 2025, regarding Pay Parking**
- (2) Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society – BC Chapter and West Coast Environmental Law, December 4, 2025, regarding “Request for Council Support – BC Coastal Marine Strategy”**
- (3) West Vancouver Chamber of Commerce, December 4, 2025, regarding Upcoming Events and Programs**
- (4) 2 submissions, December 5 and 10, 2025, regarding Traffic Control Request**
- (5) Dundarave Festival of Lights Society, December 5, 2025, regarding Forest of Miracles (Dundarave Festival of Trees)**
- (6) Ambleside Dundarave Business Improvement Association, December 8, 2025, regarding “Request for Assistance Regarding Overnight Encampment and Doorway Occupation in Ambleside & Dundarave Commercial Areas”**
- (7) December 9, 2025, regarding “Request to have my email read at the Regular Council Meeting on December 15th, 2025” (Covered Pickleball Courts)**

Correspondence from Other Governments and Government Agencies

No items.

Responses to Correspondence

- (8) Staff Lead, Pay Parking Programs, December 4, 2025, response to 17 written submissions regarding Pay Parking**

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Saturday, November 29, 2025 10:00 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt; [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Subject: Pay parking at Ambleside for members of West Vancouver Field Hockey Club

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Hello,

I am writing as a member of the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club, as I understand there will be discussion at the upcoming council meeting regarding the recently implemented pay parking at Rutledge Field. My family travels from Bowen Island to participate in field hockey 2–3 times a week. We are not West Vancouver residents, [REDACTED] s.22(1) [REDACTED] t. Being subject to the new parking regulations has added a significant expense to each trip—at times, we are paying nearly as much for parking as we do for the training itself.

Our children have participated in sports across the North Shore for many years, and we have *never* encountered a situation where families are required to pay for parking at a sports facility. The new fees are discouraging us from staying to watch games or inviting friends and family to come support our children. We have often resorted to dropping the kids off and parking on nearby side streets, which means they are walking up the hill in the dark and rain after hours of training to meet us at the car.

These costs also place an unnecessary burden on the volunteers and coaches who make the club possible. Without their time and commitment, the organization simply could not operate.

I am also concerned that the parking rates are comparable to downtown Vancouver. It is difficult to understand why West Vancouver would set such high fees for a parking lot serving tennis courts, field hockey pitches, and soccer fields—all heavily used by families, many of whom travel from outside of West Vancouver to participate in sport.

I urge Council to conduct further consultation with the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club and other stakeholders who are directly affected by this policy.

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

Bowen island

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Saturday, December 6, 2025 5:32 PM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Re: Lack of Consultation on Ambleside Pay Parking Initiative
Attachments: Letter to WV Council.pdf

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Hello

Please see attached letter regarding pay parking at Ambleside in relation to West Van Football Club

Many thanks

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

Re: Lack of Consultation on Ambleside Pay Parking Initiative

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I am an adult player with West Van FC, and I am writing to express my concern about the implementation of pay parking at the Ambleside Park sports fields. For many of us, this added cost creates yet another financial hurdle at a time when covering essentials like housing, food, and transportation is already challenging.

Playing soccer is something I truly value—it's an important source of community, health, and enjoyment. However, introducing parking fees makes participating at Ambleside less accessible. I worry that teammates and other adult players may look to join teams elsewhere simply to avoid these added costs. That would be deeply unfortunate, as West Van FC is a wonderful club with long-standing roots. Many of us have played here for years, and some have been part of the club since childhood.

Sport participation is already declining across the region, and measures that create new barriers—financial or otherwise—only accelerate that trend. Reduced participation has broader ripple effects as well: local cafés, restaurants, and businesses lose the steady traffic that sport brings, and pressure increases on nearby neighbourhoods as players search for limited free parking in adjacent areas.

Across Metro Vancouver, our teams regularly use 40–50 fields, and only a very small number charge for parking—and none are located in residential communities. Ambleside would become an outlier, making West Vancouver uniquely less welcoming and less accessible for sport compared to neighbouring municipalities.

It's important to note that club members already contribute to field access through registration fees. In this context, parking should reasonably be considered part of the overall cost of providing community sport—just as indoor community centres and schools do not charge participants to park when attending practices or games.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask Council to reconsider the decision to implement pay parking at the Ambleside sports fields.

s. 22(1)

Player – Over 45 & Over 55 WVFC

s. 22(1)

North Vancouver

From: Natalie Groulx <natalie@cpawsbc.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 4, 2025 9:08 AM
To: correspondence
Subject: Request for Council Support – BC Coastal Marine Strategy
Attachments: Coastal Marine Strategy Motion For Consideration_Dec 2025.pdf; Coastal Marine Strategy Brief_Dec 2025_CPAWS BC_WCEL.pdf

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Dear Mayor Sager and Members of Council,

On behalf of the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society – BC Chapter (CPAWS-BC) and West Coast Environmental Law, I am reaching out to request your Council's support for the BC Coastal Marine Strategy (CMS) and accompanying legislative framework to ensure its long-term success.

The strategy, co-developed by the Province of BC and coastal First Nations, provides a blueprint for protecting marine ecosystems, supporting local economies, and strengthening community resilience along our coast.

We respectfully request that your Council consider passing a motion of support and directing the Mayor to write to Premier David Eby and the Honourable Randene Neill, Minister of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship, expressing your support for the BC Coastal Marine Strategy and its implementation, and urge the Provincial Government to enshrine the BC Coastal Marine Strategy into law.

The initiative has received formal endorsements from the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) and the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM). Endorsement from your Council would provide significant additional support at the local level.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please find attached:

- A council motion template, and
- A brief on the need and value of the BC Coastal Marine Strategy.

We also welcome the chance to brief you on the opportunities within the Coastal Marine Strategy for your community.

Warm regards,



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 Ocean Program
 CPAWS-BC

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 Lands and waters of the Coast Salish Peoples

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At CPAWS-BC, we value and respect flexible work arrangements. As such, my work week may look different from yours. Please do not feel obligated to respond outside of your normal working hours; I will respond when I am able. My working hours are 8am to 4:30pm PT, Monday-Thursday. [Learn more here.](#)

Strengthening BC's Economy and Readiness Through the BC Coastal Marine Strategy

British Columbia stands at a pivotal moment. Our coastal communities are on the frontlines of both economic pressures and environmental change. As the BC chapter of the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (CPAWS-BC), we work to safeguard the lands and waters that sustain us. Both CPAWS-BC and West Coast Environmental Law believe this is a timely opportunity to work together to strengthen resilience through the Coastal Marine Strategy – an approach that supports local economies while safeguarding the natural systems we all depend on.

The [BC Coastal Marine Strategy](#) is an overarching provincial framework with 116 concrete activities for managing coastal and nearshore marine areas within provincial jurisdiction. When fully implemented, the strategy can drive climate adaptation, grow BC's blue economy, enhance national defense, and advance Indigenous coastal management.

Protecting the coast is not just about the environment, it's smart economic policy.

Marine-based tourism and recreation alone generate over \$5 billion annually,¹ and the global ocean economy is projected to double between 2010 and 2030, outpacing broader global growth by 20%.² This represents a major opportunity for BC to expand its blue economy. Furthermore, these figures do not account for the vast amount of ecosystem services provided by marine and coastal areas. A 2012 report found the nearshore areas of BC's Lower Mainland provided \$22.6 billion in ecosystem services per year (this value translates to approximately \$30 billion as of 2024).³ This strategy will support a productive and biodiverse ocean, which is necessary for a thriving and sustainable blue economy.

¹ Big River Analytics Ltd. (2021). Economic Contribution Analysis: For the Economic Contribution of the Oceans Sector in Coastal BC. Unpublished and prepared privately for the governments of British Columbia and Canada.

² OECD, The Ocean Economy in 2030 (2016), p. 30, online: https://www.oecd.org/content/dam/oe.cd/en/publications/reports/2016/04/the-ocean-economy-in-2030_g1g6439e/9789264251724-en.pdf

³ David Suzuki Foundation and Earth Economics: Nearshore Natural Capital Valuation (November 2012), p. 67, online: <https://david Suzuki.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/11/nearshore-natural-capital-valuation-aquatic-benefits-british-columbia-lower-mainland.pdf>

The Coastal Marine Strategy can also strengthen national defence. BC's coastline is home to critical defense and emergency response infrastructure, and integrated coastal planning under the Strategy aligns with both provincial and national defense priorities. When implemented, it will enhance readiness in the face of climate impacts and geopolitical risks.

*"Many of us have seen first-hand the damage of degraded shorelines, pollution, abandoned vessels, declining salmon and contaminated shellfish. In a coastal province like ours, these impacts ripple inland, from Salmon Arm in the Okanagan all the way to the Rockies. Our coast also hosts critical national defense and emergency response infrastructure. So whether you are interested in the environment, the economy or national defense, a coordinated effort from the Province to protect our coast needs the force of law behind it." – **Councillor Mary Wagner**, the City of Langford*

Although the release of the Coastal Marine Strategy is a significant accomplishment for BC, a glaring functional gap remains, as the strategy does not have a legal framework to back it up. Legislation is key to strong, integrated coastal management. An accompanying legal framework would make the Coastal Marine Strategy durable and effective across government.

With your local government's support, BC can ensure the strategy drives lasting results for our economy, communities, and coastal ecosystems.

We welcome the opportunity to brief you on the opportunities within the Coastal Marine Strategy for your community.

Sincerely,

s. 22(1)

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s. 22(1)

Natalie Groulx
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Motion:

WHEREAS in July 2024, following extensive consultation with First Nations and stakeholders, the Province of British Columbia released its first ever Coastal Marine Strategy, providing a 20-year vision of a “diverse, productive and resilient coastal marine environment that is valued in its own right and that supports the prosperity, health and well-being of coastal communities now and into the future”;

WHEREAS the Coastal Marine Strategy details nine important goals (diverse marine life; abundant wild Pacific Salmon; a clean coast; climate-ready communities; a sustainable coastal economy; vibrant coastal communities; trusting, respectful relationships; a robust tool kit; and integrated and balanced management), but does not have the force of law, and codifying the Strategy into law would support its success and longevity rather than leaving it dependent on the priorities of the government of the day:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs the Mayor to urge the Provincial Government to enshrine the BC Coastal Marine Strategy into law.

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To: correspondence
Subject: 📅 AGM Registration - Dec 8, 2025

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AGM - Registration

The West Vancouver Chamber of Commerce invites you to attend our
Annual General Meeting on **Monday, December 8th, 5:30-6:30pm.**

This free virtual event is open to both Members and Non-Members.

Register [HERE](#)

Call for Board Members – Help Shape the Future of the West Vancouver Chamber of Commerce

The West Vancouver Chamber of Commerce is entering a new chapter — one defined by renewed energy, stronger community connections, and a fresh vision for supporting local businesses. As we rebuild and revitalize the Chamber, we are seeking committed, forward-thinking leaders to join our Board of Directors.

This is an opportunity to be part of a **dynamic and high-impact board** that will play a central role in shaping the Chamber's direction for years to come. Over the coming term, the Board will:

- **Rewrite and modernize our bylaws** to better reflect our goals, values, and the realities of today's business environment.
- **Develop a new multi-year vision and strategic plan** that strengthens our business community and enhances the Chamber's role as a connector, advocate, and catalyst for economic vitality.
- **Rebuild programming, partnerships, and member services** to create meaningful value for businesses of all sizes.
- **Restore the Chamber to its position as a trusted voice** for commerce in West Vancouver.

We are looking for individuals who are:

- Enthusiastic about local business and community development
- Ready to roll up their sleeves and help guide a significant renewal
- Collaborative, strategic, and open to new ideas
- Interested in governance, planning, and driving positive change

Whether you're a long-time business owner, an emerging entrepreneur, or a professional with skills in governance, finance, marketing, operations, or community engagement, we welcome your interest.

How to Put Your Name Forward

If you would like to stand as a director for the upcoming term, please reply to this message with a brief expression of interest. The slate will be confirmed at our upcoming Annual General Meeting.

This is a pivotal moment for the Chamber.

If you've ever considered serving, **now is the time.**

Together, we can build a Chamber that is vibrant, connected, and ready to meet the needs of our business community for the next decade and beyond.

Renew your Membership Today

If you are not an active Group Insurance member, all past members will need to renew their Chamber membership at [BLOCKEDwestvanchamber\[.\]ca/join-renewBLOCKED](https://BLOCKEDwestvanchamber[.]ca/join-renewBLOCKED).

***Please note that an active Chamber membership is required in order to stand for election or continue serving on the Board of Directors.**



West Vancouver Chamber of Commerce Christmas Gala

Capilano Golf and Country Club

We're thrilled to announce the return of West Vancouver's premier Christmas celebration - an elegant holiday evening at the Capilano Golf and Country Club. Join us for a festive evening featuring a cocktail reception, spectacular buffet dinner, and our always-popular live auction.

Date: December 16, 2025 • **Time:** 5:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

Location: Capilano Golf and Country Club
420 Southborough Dr, West Vancouver, BC V7S 1M2

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Membership pays for itself



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Promote your business and help support the Chamber. Sponsor an event!

The West Vancouver Chamber of Commerce offers a variety of sponsorship opportunities that provide your business with the chance to be front and center in our community. Sponsors are an important part of our events!

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From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Friday, December 5, 2025 9:17 AM
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Subject: Fw: [REDACTED] s. 22(1) West Vancouver
Attachments: Speed Breakers - [REDACTED] s. 22(1) West Vancouver

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[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: December 5, 2025 9:14 AM
To: correspondance@westvancouver.ca <correspondance@westvancouver.ca>
Subject: [REDACTED] s. 22(1) West Vancouver

Dear Mayor Sager,

We refer to our letter dated November 19th, 2025 (copy enclosed for your reference), to which we have not yet received a response.

We kindly request that the matter of speed bumps be addressed at the earliest, as just yesterday, (Dec 3rd - Collection day) our compost bin was hit by a passing vehicle and left broken by the side of the road (confirming our fears about vehicles speeding around the corner of our driveway).

We look forward to hearing back.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 11:32 AM
To: correspondance@westvancouver.ca
Subject: Speed Breakers - [REDACTED] s. 22(1) West Vancouver

Good Day Mayor Sager,

We sincerely appreciate that the City of West Vancouver installed a pedestrian crossing light at Marine Drive and Sharon as a road crossing safety measure for pedestrians.

However, that pedestrian crossing has not addressed the speeding of vehicles and our safety [REDACTED] s.22(1)

Speeding cars, motorcyclists, trucks, and yes, even transit buses, as they round the corner on Marine Drive [REDACTED] s. 22(1) (commonly referred to as suicide bend), still pose a safety threat to that of our children, family, friends and ourselves. Vehicles continue to come speeding around that corner [REDACTED] s.22(1)

We have blared our car horns at numerous vehicle drivers but to no avail. Furthermore, garbage collection days pose a more hazardous obstacle course for us to manoeuvre around while trying to avoid these speeding vehicles, as there are no sidewalks for the numerous disposal bins lining the road. To address this ongoing speeding issue, and to address our continuous anxiety around the safety of our family, friends and ourselves, we kindly request the installation of speed breakers on Marine Drive [REDACTED] s.22(1)

We look forward to the City of West Vancouver understanding our concerns and expeditiously addressing them.

With our sincere thanks.
[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2025 8:24 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Christine Cassidy; [REDACTED] s. 22(1); Engineering Department
Subject: Request for Mayor and Council's Assistance regarding Driveway Sightline Safety Hazard and Speed Hump Sign Relocation at [REDACTED] s.22(1)

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Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to request Council's assistance with a **safety issue at my home at** [REDACTED] s. 22(1), and to clarify several points in the Engineering Department's recent response regarding the speed hump warning sign located beside my driveway.

I support the overall goal of improving traffic safety [REDACTED] s.22(1). However, the current placement of this particular warning sign has created a real and ongoing driveway sightline hazard that has not been properly addressed.

1. Geometry of the obstruction

Based on on-site measurements:

- . Distance from my driveway edge to the signpost base: 1.78 m
- . Approximate sign height: 2.66 m
- . Yellow diamond plate size: 60 × 60 cm

My house sits lower than the road, which means I must reverse uphill from my garage onto [REDACTED] s. 22(1). At this height and distance, the sign acts as a solid obstruction within my driveway sightline, blocking my view of vehicles from both directions. **In addition**, at certain sun angles, the reflective yellow plate creates direct glare into my eyes while reversing, further reducing visibility and creating distraction and discomfort.

2. In its reply, Engineering referred to "District standards" and "standard driver eye level," but did not provide specific references, nor did it address the driveway sightline and glare impacts at this location. I previously submitted photos from **1685 Mathers Ave, 987 Cross Creek Rd, and 2214 Haywood Ave**, showing that speed hump signs in West Vancouver are often placed 10–15 metres in advance of the hump to avoid interfering with the visibility of vehicles entering or exiting private driveways. **(Please refer to the image attached to Item 1 at the end of this letter.)**

The so-called "standard driver eye level" only shows that drivers travelling along the roadway can see the sign. It does not demonstrate that a sign placed only 1.78 metres from a residential driveway does not block driveway exit visibility. In fact, its height and proximity make it even more prominent in my reversing field of view, creating distraction and interfering with my ability to judge traffic conditions on [REDACTED] s. 22(1). This sign should not be placed within the sightline triangle of my driveway.

3. Relocation proposal

In my original letter, I clearly proposed relocating the speed hump warning sign to the District-owned boulevard area beside the existing utility pole, in the same manner commonly seen throughout West Vancouver where traffic signs are grouped alongside utility poles. **(Please refer to the image attached to Item 2 at the end of this letter.)**

However, the Engineering response focused only on the restriction regarding BC Hydro poles and did not address the actual relocation location I proposed.

4. I suggested a simple, low-impact solution:

relocating the sign approximately 11 metres south to the boulevard area between s. 22(1) near the existing utility pole.

- . At this location, the sign would continue to provide clear and effective warning to approaching drivers,
- . while being visually grouped with existing vertical elements (the pole and hedge), minimizing visual impact,
- . staying outside any driveway sightline triangles.

(Please refer to the image attached to Item 3 at the end of this letter.)

Request for Council's assistance Given the above, I respectfully request that Council direct Engineering to: Re-examine the driveway sightline and glare impacts at s. 22(1) and Relocate the sign to the boulevard area beside the utility pole between s. 22(1) s. 22(1) At the proposed location, the sign would continue to serve its intended warning function without obstructing any residential driveway sightlines.

For your reference, I have attached photo examples illustrating:

1. examples of speed hump warning signs positioned 10–15 metres in advance of the hump :

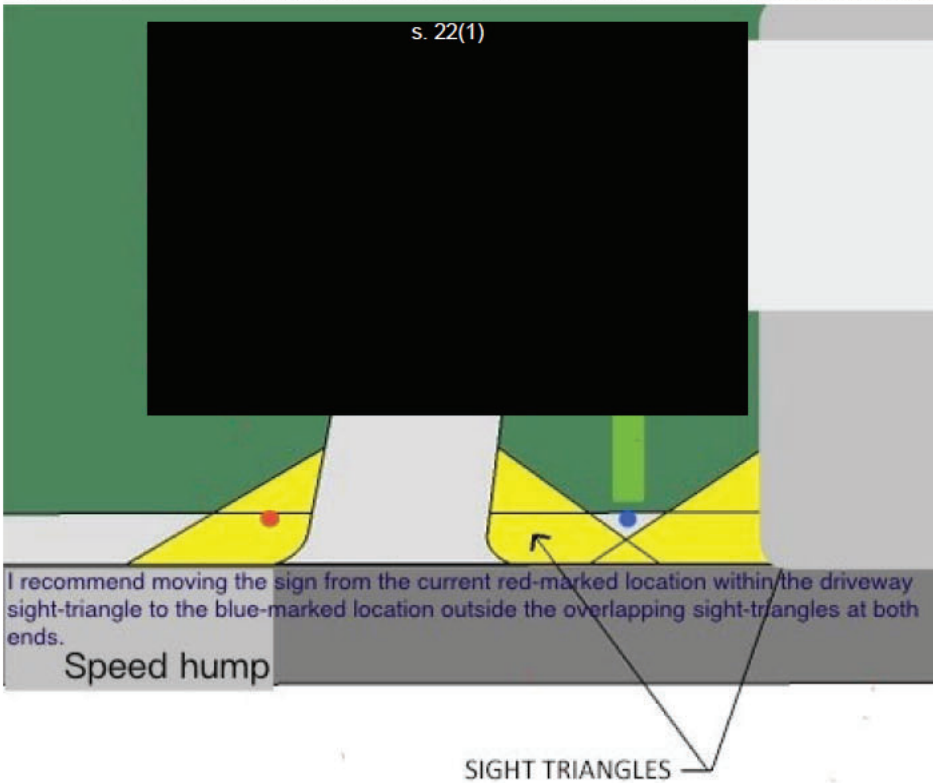
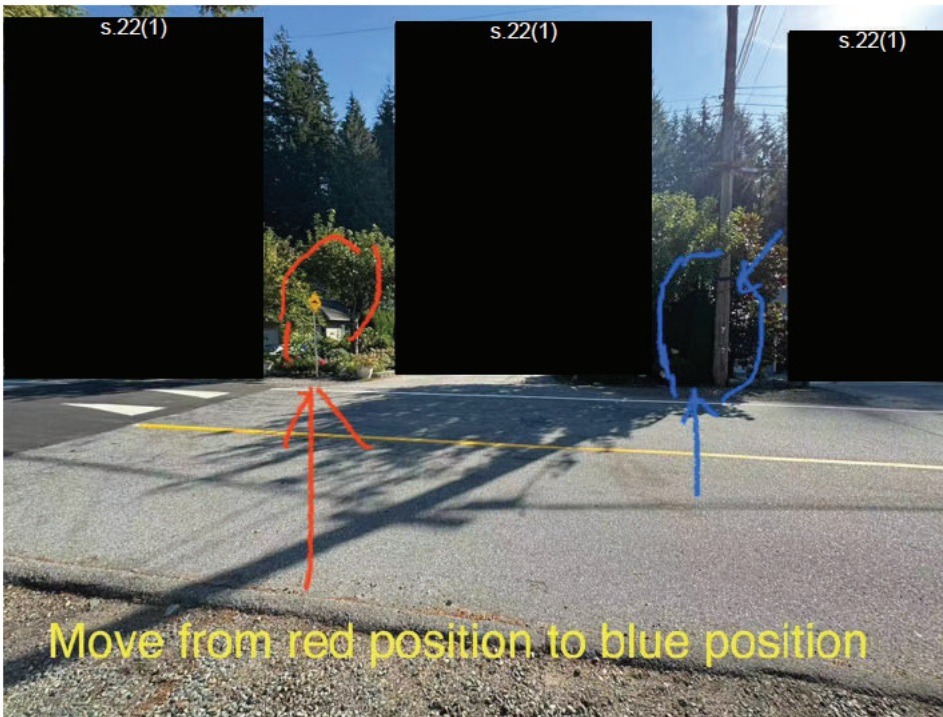




2.examples of signs placed adjacent to utility poles in West Vancouver:



3. the current sign location (red) and the proposed relocation location(blue):



Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Full legal name: s. 22(1)

Civic address: s. 22(1), West Vancouver, BC s. 22(1)

From: Mary Markwick <mary@dundaravefestival.com>
Sent: Friday, December 5, 2025 6:49 PM
To: correspondence
Subject: TL;DR: We're about to hit \$20,000 — help us land it beautifully 🌱💚

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give beautifully

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That might be enough anywhere else. Not here.

Your generosity to the Forest of Miracles Fund, held and administered by our friends at the West Vancouver Community Foundation, has always blown us away.

This season, you've set a pace unlike anything we've seen before.

We're about to launch our second Saturday of free concerts in the Festival Longhouse – the Dunderave Nativity & Paddle Songs presented by SEASPAN.

We're in striking range of hitting \$20,000 in the Forest of Miracles Fund.

Give beautifully. This is your moment.

Help the Fund reach \$20,000 by the time Métis jiggers set down their fiddles and the Bollywood dancing ends.

Make it a one-time gift, or create a giving group. Or both. Know that I'm here to help you in any way I can.

Know that your donation will be put to work ending homelessness on the North Shore. Support the diligent and caring work of the Hollyburn Society, or the Lookout Society. Or both.

The Forest of Miracles we've created together will be legendary.

The creativity, joy and tenderness you brought to creating your tree speaks volumes about the love you have for our community – especially the most vulnerable.

This is, as many of you have said, truly a forest. Each tree was nurtured by local tree growers, especially Ryan Murphy, brought to Dundarave Beach by Edgmont Movers, and set into place by lion-hearted West Vancouver firefighters. That's why, as the best Christmas stories have it, this Forest has come to life.

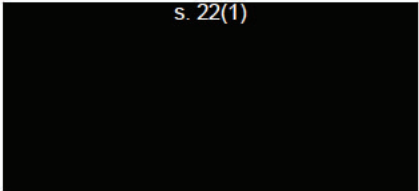
And another thing. The interest we're seeing in local media and every form of social media is this season next level. We expect people to walk through the Forest in record numbers.

Everyone who gives to the Forest of Miracles Fund will be in the running to win one of our fabulous incentive prizes, including the coveted Chef's Table Dinner for Six lovingly served up by our friends at the Beach House.

If you haven't yet claimed a tree of your own, fear not. **There's one left. And it's a beauty.** After all, the ultimate Canadian Christmas leaves no one out in the cold. Move quickly. Claim your tree. Make your pledge.

For a full list of this year's concerts, [click here](#). Don't miss a moment of it. Live your joy out loud.

Love and joy come to you,



Mary Markwick
Executive Director
Dundarave Festival of Lights

[778.847-1426](tel:778.847-1426)

p.s. Keep an eye out for the fun and hijinks the team at Hollyburn Community Services will be bringing over the remaining Saturdays to the Forest of Miracles. It might even place you in the running to win a \$100 VISA gift card. 🎅



CLAIM YOUR TREE. MAKE YOUR PLEDGE



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You are receiving this email because we want to celebrate the ways you've been part our Festival community in previous seasons, and we want to make sure you have the chance to shine with us.

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From: Ambleside Dundarave BIA <info@ADBIA.ca>
Sent: Monday, December 8, 2025 9:54 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Scott Snider; Linda Watt; Christine Cassidy; Peter Lambur; Scott Findlay; Sharon Thompson; Nora Gambioli; John Lo (WVDP)
Subject: Request for Assistance Regarding Overnight Encampment and Doorway Occupation in Ambleside & Dundarave Commercial Areas

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Mayor Sager, Council, and Chief Lo,

I'm reaching out on behalf of businesses in Ambleside and Dundarave because we're seeing a growing issue that we really need some help with.

Over the past several months, more and more individuals have been sleeping in the doorways and sheltered spots of our commercial areas, especially along the 1400 block of Bellevue, Ambleside Lane, and the 1300 block of Marine Drive. This is happening across both villages and is affecting a number of different storefronts.

We fully understand that homelessness is a complicated and human issue, and we're not looking to penalize anyone. But many business owners are arriving in the morning to find people sleeping in their entrances, along with belongings, garbage, and in some cases drug paraphernalia. Staff sometimes feel uncomfortable walking into work, and customers are unsure about entering stores.

It's becoming difficult for businesses to manage this on their own, and they're feeling stuck; wanting to be compassionate, but also needing their doorways to be safe and accessible.

We're hoping for some support with:

- More police or bylaw presence in these areas later in the evening, overnight, and earlier in the morning.
- Help from outreach teams who know the individuals in the community and can connect them with services.
- A coordinated plan between the District, WVDP, and the ADBIA so we can work together on longer-term solutions.

Everyone wants to handle this respectfully and humanely, we just need a bit more structure and support so businesses aren't dealing with it alone.

I'd be happy to meet, talk through the concerns in more detail, or walk through the areas together if that would help.

Regards,

Maureen

Maureen O'Brien

Executive Director

Ambleside Dundarave Business Improvement Association

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"It Takes a Village to Make a Village"

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Tuesday, December 9, 2025 11:37 PM
To: correspondence
Subject: Request to have my email read at the Regular Council Meeting on December 15th, 2025

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Dear Mayor and Council. My name is [REDACTED] s. 22(1), West Vancouver and I would like to submit a question regarding the proposed pickleball courts at Gleneagles Community Center. I appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to your response. Thank you, [REDACTED] s. 22(1)

Dear Mr. Mayor and Council Members,

My name is [REDACTED] s. 22(1), and I have proudly called West Vancouver my home for over twenty years.

I genuinely believe that everything happens for a reason. Thus, I view the delay of the pickleball courts at Gleneagles not as an inconvenience, but as a fantastic opportunity to find the best solution for the increasing demand for this beloved sport within our community. The proposed four courts, as outlined in the draft concept, do seem suitable for that location, but I feel that having them covered and illuminated would be an even better option. During the fall and winter months, the indoor pickleball spaces at the Gleneagles Community Center fill up in less than a minute. Unfortunately, many local residents miss out on their weekly physical activities and social opportunities due to the limited availability. Our pickleball WhatsApp group is expanding, and we currently have 221 members! Having covered courts would allow for year-round playing, and they could also be utilized for lessons, clinics, leagues, and tournaments. Moreover, covered courts are much easier to keep clean and free from debris.

We've discussed the benefits of having courts at the Gleneagles location many times, so I'll spare you the repetition. I kindly ask that you make a decision regarding the courts separately from the skate park bowl repair and the construction of a pump track, as they are distinct issues with different funding and should not influence one another.

To summarize my perspective:

The advantages of covered pickleball courts include:

- Protection from the weather
- Year-round usability

- Optional lighting
- Enhanced focus during play
- Attracting more players
- Hosting events
- Providing opportunities for lessons and clinics

In Conclusion:

Investing in covered pickleball courts would be a wise decision that significantly enhances player experience throughout the year, fosters community engagement, meets the demand for recreational spaces during the winter months, and allows for hosting various community events. It's essential to plan and construct these courts with a clear vision, creating a lasting project that both the council and the residents of West Vancouver can take pride in.

My question to you Mr. Mayor and Council is when can the West Vancouver residents expect a decision on where and when the pickleball courts will be built?

Thank you for your time!

Best regards,

s. 22(1)

Sent from my iPhone

From: Engineering Department
Sent: Thursday, December 4, 2025 1:20 PM
To: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Cc: correspondence; Engineering Department
Subject: RE: Lack of Consultation on Ambleside Pay Parking Initiative

Dear [REDACTED] s. 22(1)

Thank you for your email and for taking the time to share your feedback about the new pay parking program at Ambleside Park. It has been received by Council and forwarded to staff for response.

Discussions and Council consideration around pay parking within destination District parks has a long history which spans the last 25 years. The primary drivers around these discussions include: an additional source of revenue and potential cost recovery opportunity for Parks, and a means of transportation demand management (TDM). The Destination Parks Pay Parking Program aligns with the 2012 Parks Master Plan, which states as one of its core values: Prudent financial stewardship and management.

Since launching pay parking in Ambleside Park in September, Council has responded to feedback from stakeholders in several ways.

1. **New seasonal hourly rate.** After hearing concerns from Ambleside Park field users about affordability, Council approved changes to lower the hourly parking rate in October. The [new seasonal rate for Ambleside Park took effect on November 1](#).
2. **Coordination with West Vancouver School District.** Council has approved that teachers and volunteers may park at no cost in Ambleside Park while coaching for West Vancouver Schools. These activities are part of the Ministry of Education's K-12 educational program, and are treated as an extension of the public education system. The District has been working with West Vancouver Schools since October 7 on implementation.
3. **Create a Community Partner Pass for eligible non-profits.** Most recently, Council has directed staff to create a new "Community Partner Parking Pass" to reduce the impact of pay parking on the sports organizations whose dedication helps community sport thrive in Ambleside Park. This low-cost monthly pass is meant to help reduce the financial impact of pay parking on volunteers, coaches, and staff of eligible non-profit sports organizations.

At the November 17 Council meeting, staff provided an update on the Community Partner pass ([view the Nov 17, 2025 report](#)). Then, on December 1, Council gave three readings to the bylaw needed to put the pass in place ([view the Dec 1, 2025 report](#)). Final adoption is expected at the next regular Council meeting December 15, 2025.

Staff are currently working out details for how eligible organizations and volunteers will access the Community Partner Parking Pass, with the goal of launching in early 2026. Eligible organizations will receive more information soon about how their staff, coaches and volunteers can access this pass.

4. **Residents remain eligible for no-cost annual parking passes.** Finally, the staff, coaches, volunteers and sports participants who are West Vancouver residents are eligible for annual parking passes. See westvancouver.ca/payparking for more information and to register.

Thanks again for raising this issue and for everything you do to support youth and community sport in West Vancouver. The District is committed to ensuring that our parks are welcoming and accessible to all members of our community. The program helps manage parking availability, maintain park infrastructure, and fund various amenities and services that benefit everyone who utilizes these spaces.

Kind regards,

Steven Liu

Staff Lead, Pay Parking Programs

Engineering & Transportation Services | District of West Vancouver

engineeringdept@westvancouver.ca | 604-925-7020

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation), səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh Nation), and xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Nation). We recognize and respect them as nations in this territory, as well as their historic connection to the lands and waters around us since time immemorial.

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From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Saturday, November 29, 2025 10:00 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt; [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Subject: Pay parking at Ambleside for members of West Vancouver Field Hockey Club

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Hello,

I am writing as a member of the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club, as I understand there will be discussion at the upcoming council meeting regarding the recently implemented pay parking at Rutledge Field. My family travels from Bowen Island to participate in field hockey 2–3 times a week. We are not West Vancouver residents, [REDACTED] s.22(1). Being subject to the new parking regulations has added a significant expense to each trip—at times, we are paying nearly as much for parking as we do for the training itself.

Our children have participated in sports across the North Shore for many years, and we have *never* encountered a situation where families are required to pay for parking at a sports facility. The new fees are discouraging us from staying to watch games or inviting friends and family to come support our children. We have often resorted to dropping the kids off and parking on nearby side streets, which means they are walking up the hill in the dark and rain after hours of training to meet us at the car.

These costs also place an unnecessary burden on the volunteers and coaches who make the club possible. Without their time and commitment, the organization simply could not operate.

I am also concerned that the parking rates are comparable to downtown Vancouver. It is difficult to understand why West Vancouver would set such high fees for a parking lot serving tennis courts, field hockey pitches, and soccer fields—all heavily used by families, many of whom travel from outside of West Vancouver to participate in sport.

I urge Council to conduct further consultation with the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club and other stakeholders who are directly affected by this policy.

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

Bowen island

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Friday, November 28, 2025 12:05 PM
To: correspondence; Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Cc: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Subject: Lack of Consultation on Ambleside Pay Parking Initiative
Attachments: Ambleside Pay Parking Letter.docx

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Mayor and Councillors -

Please see the attached letters expressing concerns regarding the lack of consultation on the Ambleside Pay Parking Initiative.

Thanks,

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

Lions Bay, BC [REDACTED] s. 22(1)

Re: Lack of Consultation on Ambleside Pay Parking Initiative

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I am an adult player with West Van FC, and I am writing to express my concern about the implementation of pay parking at the Ambleside Park sports fields. For many of us, this added cost creates yet another financial hurdle at a time when covering essentials like housing, food, and transportation is already challenging.

Playing soccer is something I truly value—it's an important source of community, health, and enjoyment. However, introducing parking fees makes participating at Ambleside less accessible. I worry that teammates and other adult players may look to join teams elsewhere simply to avoid these added costs. That would be deeply unfortunate, as West Van FC is a wonderful club with long-standing roots. Many of us have played here for years, and some have been part of the club since childhood.

Sport participation is already declining across the region, and measures that create new barriers—financial or otherwise—only accelerate that trend. Reduced participation has broader ripple effects as well: local cafés, restaurants, and businesses lose the steady traffic that sport brings, and pressure increases on nearby neighbourhoods as players search for limited free parking in adjacent areas.

Across Metro Vancouver, our teams regularly use 40–50 fields, and only a very small number charge for parking—and none are located in residential communities. Ambleside would become an outlier, making West Vancouver uniquely less welcoming and less accessible for sport compared to neighbouring municipalities.

It's important to note that club members already contribute to field access through registration fees. In this context, parking should reasonably be considered part of the overall cost of providing community sport—just as indoor community centres and schools do not charge participants to park when attending practices or games.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask Council to reconsider the decision to implement pay parking at the Ambleside sports fields.

Sincerely,
s.22(1)

[REDACTED]
Lions Bay, BC

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Sent: Friday, November 28, 2025 12:05 PM
To: correspondence; Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Pay Parking at Ambleside Beach Sports Fields
Attachments: Ambleside Pay Parking Letter.pdf

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Dear Mayor and Councillors,

Please find attached a letter regarding the recent implementation of pay parking at Ambleside Beach Sports Fields facility and the detrimental impact it is having.

Best,
[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

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West Vancouver
BC, s. 22(1)

s. 22(1)

28th November, 2025

Re: Lack of Consultation on Ambleside Pay Parking Initiative

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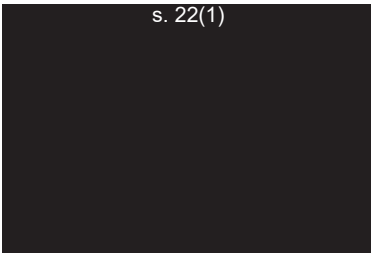
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Sincerely,

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From: Betty Dodson [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Friday, November 28, 2025 3:26 PM
To: correspondence
Subject: Briefing Note to Mayor Sager and Council from Ruth Burr: West Van FC
Attachments: 11.28.2025 WVFC Parking Memo.pdf

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To Mayor Sager & Council,
Thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak to all of you at the Council meeting on November 17th.

My thanks also go to Councilor Thompson for suggesting I put this information together into one document. It is unfortunate that I'm giving this information to you *after* paid parking has been implemented rather than before as the reaction from our players, both West Van and out-of-District, has been overwhelmingly negative to date. West Van FC will keep a better eye on the Council meeting Agendas and Minutes going forward.

I quoted the amounts of potential lost revenue when I spoke and wildly underestimated the amount. Having gone through the entire player list (as of November 21, 2025) and having input the correct amounts for the programs, versus an average, the amounts have been updated in my Briefing Memo. Potential revenue lost is now in excess of \$208K.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to read the memo. I sincerely appreciate you giving it consideration.

Betty Dodson on behalf of Ruth

Betty Dodson (she/her) | Communications &
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We would like to thank the Coast Salish people on whose unceded traditional territory West Vancouver FC resides. We are grateful to the Skwxwu7mesh and Tsleil-Waututh Nations for the opportunity to play soccer on this traditional territory.



**Briefing Note to Mayor Sager & Council
Parking at Ambleside Park
November 28, 2025**

The Facts:

West Van FC currently has:	30% of our players live outside of West Vancouver.
1,262 Youth Players	388 Non-West Van Youth
<u>214</u> Adult Players	<u>50</u> Non-West Van Adult
1,476 players in total (Youth & Adult)	438 Total

Financially these numbers represent considerable **revenue for West Van FC: \$206,805.00 in fees for League Play** that runs from September to February. Teenagers pay \$495.00 per season; \$950.00 if they are in high performance teams. There are no words to describe the kind of financial uncertainty our Club would face should we lose a considerable number of these non-West Vancouver players (both youth and adults). West Vancouver residents would potentially face higher fees and less opportunities to play on teams of their preferred level without non-WV residents to help fill the gaps.

Parent Volunteers: 136 West Van Residents
 115 Non-West Van Residents (Bowen, Lions Bay, Squamish, North Vancouver)
 251 Total Volunteer Coaches & Managers

Non-West Van residents make up 46% of our volunteer base!! These people may not live within the boundary of West Vancouver, but they are clearly committed to our Club and all the children in it. Again, the loss of these parents would be debilitating to the 70% of our players who are West Vancouver youth. It seems unkind to suggest that these parents must pay for parking when they are helping develop all our players, regardless of where these players live.

Little Lions: 133 West Van Lions
 65 Non-West Van Lions
 198 Total Little Lions

Our Little Lion camps run from September to March and again from April to June. We currently have 198 players enrolled in our program, and our spring program is always larger in numbers. West Van FC employs 20 teenagers/young adults to assist with the program, and 16 of these young coaches are West Van youth (four are non-WV). Fewer Little Lions means fewer coaching opportunities for our young West Vancouver residents.

Paid parking at Ambleside is terrible for local non-profit sports groups because West Vancouver is now **one of only two** cities in the entire BC Coastal Soccer League area that has paid parking at the soccer fields. It is also the only jurisdiction on the North Shore implementing paid parking at sports fields. Members of our Club who reside outside of West Vancouver will now find it more expensive to play in West Van and West Van FC stands to lose a substantial number of youth and adult players, volunteers and staff because of this increased cost. Again, the burden will then fall on our remaining West Vancouver players to make up the financial shortfall with increased rates and fewer teams to play on.

Philosophically the Board of West Van FC is opposed to the entire concept of paid parking at our community sports fields – especially when our North Vancouver neighbours don't have it. Unlike West Van Field Hockey, our players have other soccer clubs on the North Shore they can join, and we are very concerned that our non-WV residents will leave our Club and go to our competitors.

During the implementation of paid parking, parents have started to find other places where they can park for free. We now have members who are parking over at Park Royal Mall. We know this isn't ideal and we have serious, **safety concerns about young children**, now walking in the dark and rain, to find their parents who have parked a distance away from their practice field. Ambleside Turf fields are the only pay parking fields in a residential area within Greater Vancouver. It comes as no surprise to see players and parents parking in the residential streets just north of the fields. Congestion in the Pound Road parking lot now seems to be increasing as people are driving around the lot in circles waiting for their child to finish, or idling their cars, which is having a negative impact on the environment.

It is worth repeating that paid parking at soccer fields existed only in the City of Vancouver prior to West Van's implementation of it. The BCCSL extends from Pemberton/Whistler, to the Sunshine Coast, to Bowen Island, all the way south to White Rock and as far east as Chilliwack. All other municipalities outside of Vancouver are keeping recreation accessible to all by providing free parking. The following are the only four turf soccer fields in the City of Vancouver that have paid parking (eight of their turf fields provide free parking):

- Jericho AT: street parking is \$1/hour. Parking right near the Turf is \$3.12/hour.
- Empire Fields at the corner of Hastings and the TransCanada Highway: some free street parking nearby and the parking lot right next to the Turf is \$3.12 an hour.
- Andy Livingstone in downtown Vancouver, close to Roger's Stadium: paid street meter parking at \$2.00/hour.
- UBC: has 4 fields and various places people can park either on the road or in the lots. Parking rates vary from \$1.50 for half hour to \$4.50 for 1/2 hour with most being \$2.25 for a half hour.

As I mentioned when I spoke to Council on Monday, November 17th, the Community Partner Pass may work for a sports club with a much smaller season (e.g., baseball), but a ten-month season means these passes will cost West Van FC \$200 each for the League season and I'm not sure what happens in the summer. With 20 regular youth coaches and referees the \$4,000 cost will eventually have to be passed down to our players through a rate increase. Again, in no way does this assist us with the essential 115 non-WV volunteers (coaches, assistant coaches and managers).

How to fix this?

Short of cancelling (my preference) or delaying paid parking in Ambleside altogether, I must admit I'm not certain. If West Van is determined to have pay parking in Ambleside, then perhaps making the beach lots paid and the sports lots unpaid might be the best available solution.

The Board of West Van FC feels strongly that West Van should not be the first city to charge for parking at sports fields on the North Shore, and in fact, the only Vancouver suburb choosing to profit from users of recreational sports fields. The optics are not good, and it pits West Van against other communities when we are already perceived (somewhat unfairly) as an exceptionally wealthy area within the Lower Mainland.

The Nuance:

We have 32 Youth from Bowen Island and 28 from Lions Bay, and we have a specific concern about these two communities that stretch north and west beyond the West Vancouver boundary. Our players from Lions Bay and Bowen Island are all part of the West Vancouver School system. BC Ferries recognizes this, and players from Bowen don't have to pay for the ferry to attend either school OR sport activities.

If a teenage student lives in Lions Bay, they are bussed to and from school. A teenage soccer player is bused to school at Rockridge, finishes school and then finds her way to the Ambleside fields for practice. Her parents will often come and pick her up because practice finishes rather late. These parents should be able to get out of their cars and chat with other parents while they wait for their daughter to finish, and these parents shouldn't have to

pay for what all the other parents are able to do. It takes a village to raise a child and getting to know the parents of your daughter's teammates is so valuable when unexpected things happen at school or on the field.

It is also important to note that West Vancouver Schools are destination schools. Our high schools have many students that are non-West Vancouver residents, and it makes a great deal of sense that West Vancouver students want to play soccer with their school friends. Consequently, West Van FC sees these same out-of-district students in our Club. While the District of West Vancouver might consider our Out-of-District players to be outsiders, they are part of the West Van FC family, and these same families are part of the same Village that helps everyone bring up their children.

We have many NV families in the club – often families that live very close to Capilano Road – some with 2-3 kids playing at WVFC and now they want to leave because of the parking. These families are at Ambleside 5-6 days a week and are thinking this will add approximately \$80 monthly to their soccer season (at a rate of \$2.5). This amounts to over \$800 a season given League play is for 10+ months of the year. This doubles or triples the cost of soccer for our non-West Van families, which is not sustainable.

West Van FC sometimes lacks the players we need to provide teams of all ages, at all playing levels. To keep our high-performance teams competitive, we must accept players from outside West Vancouver. These teams remain predominantly West Van players, but without a few non-residents, they would not exist or would be uncompetitive. As local player numbers decline because of changing demographics, our ability to place athletes on teams that match their skill level—across the three to four levels we offer—becomes increasingly difficult.

Our West Van FC teams rarely play at paid parking fields. Free parking is easily found at all other fields for weekend away games from Squamish to Chilliwack. We could ask the League to try not to book games on our fields over weekends to ensure our opponents do not cancel when they find out they have to pay for parking after driving all the way to West Vancouver, but the revenue to businesses in West Vancouver would go down. The revenue to the District of West Vancouver would also go down with fewer bookings. Not to mention, our own teams would lose home field advantage if those games were played away instead.

Our concerns extend beyond our youth program as we've had many of the adult teams/players say they will be leaving next season (either as individuals or full teams). Our women's over 30 something's teams have all now petitioned their league to not schedule games at Ambleside due to the paid parking and for next season upwards of 3-4 women's teams aged 45+ don't want to return to play WVFC next season due to the paid parking. That's potentially 100+ women leaving our community and club to play soccer elsewhere.

Our women's Div 2 team players have said they will go play at NSGC next season either as a team or individuals will leave again, all due to the paid parking. They are at Ambleside upwards of 10-15 hours monthly. Our men's over 45's and over 55's are looking at their options for next season and seriously considering moving on.

We organized more adult teams so that West Vancouver residents had somewhere to play and West Van residents make up more than 75% of our adult players. Many of our adults that are non-WV residents played for our Club when they were youth. Being able to play with West Van FC allows these players to come back to the community they grew up in and visit their extended families and reconnect with old friends. Having adult teams has helped us build West Van FC into something bigger than just a youth club, and it has worked! We brought a men's over 45 and a men's over 55 team 3-4 years ago. Our women's teams were brought in two years ago. Some of the non-West Van adults who play on these teams are volunteer coaches for our Club and it gives everyone a chance to get to meet, socialize and learn from each other. Overall, it's been a huge success bringing in these teams, building a bigger club and providing something that hasn't been an option for the West Van community for many, many years.

Referees - we as a district already have a hard time attracting referees. Parents must now pay \$2.5 to \$7.5 (for parking) per game when their child referees, and the child only earns \$20-25. We are now seeing even less referees book Ambleside games. This will seriously affect the club and soccer long-term in our community.

And finally,

This parking issue has come at a very difficult time for WVFC:

- a) Our fiscal year end is March 31st, so having a significant added expense for parking now puts us into a deficit position.
- b) Also financially difficult was the delay with the Ambleside Turf. To be clear, West Van FC is *thrilled* with the turf fields; they are glorious now! We have however, lost substantial revenue as we were unable to run our Academies for the first two months of our season. Some of our players went to private academies during this time. Fortunately, a few have already returned, and we hope the rest will come back in January.
- c) We are building the Paul Myers Athletic Centre and are undertaking fundraising to raise \$1.5M to finish the warm-up turf and the washroom building. The hostility related to pay parking that we are currently receiving from some of our members is hampering our efforts to raise funds. In short, the timing is awful for West Van FC.

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Friday, November 28, 2025 5:10 PM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Pay parking letter to mayor and councillors - For WVFC adult teams
Attachments: Ambleside Pay Parking Letter.docx

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Please see attached letter

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Regards, [REDACTED] s. 22(1)

From: Sue Goddard <sue@wvfhc.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 29, 2025 7:28 PM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt; George Haughn; Beverly Ann Lehman; Ruth Burr; Ambleside Dundarave BIA; President WVLL
Subject: Request to Suspend Paid Parking at Ambleside and Surrounding Areas Pending Proper Consultation

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Mayor Mark Sager and Members of Council
District of West Vancouver
750 17th Street
West Vancouver, BC V7V 3T3

Re: Request to Suspend Paid Parking at Ambleside and Surrounding Areas Pending Proper Consultation

Dear Mayor Sager and Members of Council,

We are writing to respectfully request that West Vancouver suspend the implementation of paid parking at Ambleside and adjacent park and waterfront areas until meaningful consultation is conducted with key community partners who are directly affected. These organizations include:

- West Van FC
- West Vancouver Field Hockey Club
- West Vancouver Little League
- Ambleside–Dundarave Business Improvement Association (BIA)
- Hollyburn Sailing Club

Collectively, these organizations bring thousands of participants and families into the area year-round. Monthly participation numbers, including players, coaches, officials, and spectators, are substantial and climb significantly during peak sport seasons.

West Vancouver Field Hockey Participation numbers by month:

Month	WVFC Participants	Visitors
September	638	140
October	638	140
November	638	140
December	451	140
January	354	140
February	351	140
March	487	140

April	1159	480
May	1116	480
June	1116	480
July	168	40
August	305	40

Participation numbers for Soccer

Month	Number of West Van FC Players	Visitors to Ambleside	Total Visitors
Sept - March League Play	900 youth; plus 500 for 2nd practice; Academy 400 per week 214 Adult players practice every week once or twice	Approximately 1,200 including parents picking up, dropping off, watching practices. Plus staff and volunteer coaches approx 135.	1,335
Sept - March Weekends	500 players for Youth Home Games 100 Adult players for Home Games	Plus 200 for Home parents, grandparents, siblings to watch games. Opposing teams approx 450 plus visiting parents & spectators approx 300. Home Game spectators approx 60. Opposing teams approx 100 plus visiting spectators approx 40-50.	950 200
April - June	Academy 1,000 per week 80 adults weekly	Parents dropping off, picking up and spectating approx 800 Coaches approx 10	810
July & August	Summer Camps 100+ players and 20-30 coaches and volunteers for 7 weeks.	Parents dropping off, picking up and spectating Approx. 200 weekly.	1,400
August	Season start-up for high performance players - 140 x two weeks	Parents dropping off, picking up and spectating. Approx. 220.	220

Participation numbers for Little League

Month	WVLL Participants	Visitors
March	34	856
April	34	856
May	34	856
June	34	856
July	34	856
September	34	336
October	34	336

Each time WVLL is on the field, every practice or game includes 34 participants made up of 28 players and 6 coaches, with five sessions per week. This activity brings about 576 parent visitors per month in spring and about 336 per month in fall through regular drop off, pick up, and game attendance.

Significant Impacts on Volunteers, Coaches, Officials, and Visiting Teams

The introduction of paid parking has already created barriers for coaches, volunteers, umpires, referees, and team managers - individuals who donate countless hours to support youth sport in West Vancouver. Many of these roles are filled by volunteers who are now being asked to absorb recurring parking fees simply to do the work that keeps our clubs functioning.

We are hearing clear feedback from visiting teams across the North Shore and Lower Mainland that paid parking will make them less willing to travel to West Vancouver for games, tournaments, and events. This affects league scheduling, competitive play, and the reputation of West Vancouver as a welcoming host for youth sport.

Reduced Family Attendance and Declining Local Business Activity

It is not only athletes who are impacted. Parents, grandparents, siblings, and friends, who would normally attend games and then visit local businesses, are discouraged by the added parking costs. This undermines both community engagement and the economic activity that many Ambleside and Dundarave businesses rely on year round, directly affecting West Vancouver residents.

In response to the parking fees, many participants are now parking on nearby side streets to avoid the charges. This is displacing parking for local customers and negatively impacting the very businesses the BIA seeks to support. The unintended consequence is a shift of congestion into residential and commercial areas rather than the intended management of parking demand.

A Need for Proper Consultation Before Implementation

Given the scale of participation and the importance of these clubs and businesses to the social and economic fabric of West Vancouver, it is essential that Council pause the paid parking program until robust and transparent consultation is completed. Decisions of this magnitude require direct engagement with those most affected, not after implementation, but before.

Request for Council Action

We urge Council to:

1. **Rescind or suspend paid parking at Ambleside and surrounding park/waterfront lots immediately**, and
2. **Initiate a proper consultation process** with the partner organizations listed above, ensuring their perspectives, data, and operational realities are fully considered.

This approach will support local families, protect volunteer-driven community sport, reduce strain on local businesses, and help ensure that any long-term parking strategy genuinely aligns with community needs.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your continued service to the residents of West Vancouver. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further or to participate in any consultation process you establish.

Sincerely,

George Haughn, President West Vancouver Field Hockey Club

Maureen O'Brien, Executive Director, Ambleside Dundarave Business Improvement Association

Ruth Burr, President, West Van FC

Shawn Lin, President, West Vancouver Little League

Beverly Ann Lehman, Commodore, Hollyburn Sailing Club

Please do not redact any names from this email

West Vancouver Field Hockey

Mailing address: PO Box 92018, West Vancouver, V7V 4X4

Club office: 1066 Marine Drive, West Vancouver, V7V 3N3

From: Sara Bell [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Sunday, November 30, 2025 9:27 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Lack of Consultation for Ambleside Pay Parking initiative

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Dear Mayor and West Vancouver Councillors,

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There has been **no meaningful consultation** with WVFHC or any of the sport user groups before or after implementation even though Ambleside's fields serve as an **outdoor community centre** for thousands of athletes, volunteers, and their families.

Pay Parking has already created significant challenges for WVFHC, including:

- Additional \$200-\$300/year cost on families, youth athletes, coaches, and volunteers
- Difficulties attracting coaching staff and volunteers who spend hours on field
- Impacts on club membership as participants, esp lower-income families, look elsewhere
- Negative impacts on tournaments, events, and visiting teams
- Potential decline in overall participation.

Declines in sports participation negatively impact **revenue at local businesses** frequented by sports users. And when sport users park in the **adjacent free parking**, it also impacts residents and Ambleside's shops and restaurants. Note that **out of 10 other fields** WVFHC teams play at in Metro Vancouver, only 1 has pay parking (UBC). The rest are free.

Given that families already pay for field access through registration fees, **parking should be included as part of sports membership**, just as access is included at indoor community centres and at schools.

I respectfully request that Council:

1. **Pause the roll-out of Ambleside Pay Parking** until proper consultation with sport user groups occurs.

2. Consider **removing Pay Parking** at Ambleside, or at minimum **provide free parking for recognized sport club members**.

WVFHC is a vital contributor to youth recreation, community health, and sport development in West Vancouver. I urge Council to revisit this policy in a collaborative and community-informed way.

Sincerely,

Sara Bell - Please do NOT redact my name

Player, Coach and parent of two players of the WVFHC

s. 22(1)

Sent from my iPhone

From: PB [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Sunday, November 30, 2025 9:57 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt; Mark Sager, Mayor
Subject: Re: Lack of Consultation for Ambleside Pay Parking initiative

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- Difficulties attracting coaching staff and volunteers who spend hours on field
- Impacts on club membership as participants, esp lower-income families, look elsewhere
- Negative impacts on tournaments, events, and visiting teams
- Mental health of the players if their parents cannot afford to stay and watch their game practice and a potential decline in overall participation.

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I respectfully request that Council:

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2. Consider **removing Pay Parking** at Ambleside, or at minimum **provide free parking for recognized sport club members (a code for free parking or displaying a pass on the dash perhaps?)**.

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Sincerely,

Paula Bishop- Please do NOT redact my name

s. 22(1)

North Vancouver BC s. 22(1)

Parent of a kid who loves playing with WVFHC

From: Silvina Moscato [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Sunday, November 30, 2025 10:30 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Request for Parking Fee Relief at West Vancouver Sports Fields

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Dear Mayor Sager and Council Members,

I hope you're doing well. I'm a long time West Vancouver resident and proud member of the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club. I'm writing to express concern about the recent extension of paid parking hours at our community sports fields, which now run until 10 p.m.

While I understand the District's need to manage parking, this policy is having an unintended impact on players and families—many of whom travel from across the North Shore and beyond to participate in practices and games. These added fees, especially during evening hours during the week, create an unnecessary financial burden for families and volunteers who support our club.

Even more concerning, several players have mentioned feeling unsafe walking to their cars late at night after practices, particularly now during the fall -- and it will also be the case in winter when it's dark early. Extending paid parking into these hours not only discourages participation but also raises avoidable safety concerns.

I respectfully ask that the District reconsider this policy and explore alternatives such as free or reduced parking for registered players and volunteers during practice and game times, or a simple permit system for sports field users. This would reflect West Vancouver's commitment to recreation, inclusion, and community well-being.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration, and for your continued support of local sports and families.

Warm regards,

Silvina Moscato (please, do not redact my name)

West Vancouver Resident & Member, West Vancouver Field Hockey Club

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

, West Vancouver, BC

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[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

From: s. 22(1)
Sent: Sunday, November 30, 2025 11:33 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Linda Watt; Sharon Thompson
Subject: Re: Lack of Consultation for Ambleside Pay Parking initiative

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Dear Mayor and West Vancouver Councillors,

As a member of the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club (WVFHC) for the past s. 22(1) – including s. 22(1) s. 22(1) - I am writing with concerns about the introduction of Pay Parking at Ambleside in July 2025. I have been surprised by the introduction of this pay-parking restriction without any seeming regard to the fact that the Club contributed several hundred-thousand fund-raised Dollars to building Rutledge Field in 2010-2011. I am a strong believer that that has contributed a sufficiently strong reason for District Council and District Staff to have some regard to changes in managing sport-user day-to-day operations

There has been no meaningful consultation with WVFHC or any of the sport user groups before or after implementation even though Ambleside's fields serve as an outdoor community centre for thousands of athletes, volunteers, and their families.

Pay Parking has already created significant challenges for WVFHC, including:

- Additional \$200-\$300/year cost on families, youth athletes, coaches, and volunteers,
- Difficulties attracting coaching staff and volunteers who spend hours on field,
- Impacts on club membership as participants, especially lower-income families, look elsewhere,
- Negative impacts on tournaments, events, and visiting teams and
- Potential decline in overall participation.

Declines in sports participation negatively impact revenue at local businesses frequented by sports users. And when sport users park in the adjacent free parking, it also impacts residents and Ambleside's shops and restaurants. Note that out of 10 other fields WVFHC teams play at in Metro Vancouver, only 1 has pay parking (UBC). The rest are free.

Given that families already pay for field access through registration fees, parking should be included as part of sports membership, just as access is included at indoor community centres and at schools.

I respectfully request that Council:

1. Pause the roll-out of Ambleside Pay Parking until proper consultation with sport user groups occurs, and
2. Consider removing Pay Parking at Ambleside, or at minimum provide free parking for recognized sport club members.

Very sincerely, s. 22(1)

s.22(1)

West Vancouver, BC
s. 22(1)

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Sunday, November 30, 2025 2:12 PM
To: correspondence; Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Pay Parking at Ambleside Park - Sports field users ask you to reconsider pay parking
Attachments: Ambleside Pay Parking Letter.docx.pdf

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Please find my letter of support for the many users of Ambleside Park's sports fields. We request that you reconsider charging players, coaches and families this additional surcharge to attend practices and games. As an example, on our team we have many young moms who are telling us they will not attend our weekly practices as they are balancing family expenses including babysitting, daycare, pre-school as well as school additional fees.

These parking fees will have a negative effect on families who are engaging in healthy and community building activities that benefit so many.

Regards,

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

Re: Lack of Consultation on Ambleside Pay Parking Initiative

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I am an adult player with West Van FC, and I am writing to express my concern about the implementation of pay parking at the Ambleside Park sports fields. For many of us, this added cost creates yet another financial hurdle at a time when covering essentials like housing, food, and transportation is already challenging.

Playing soccer is something I truly value—it's an important source of community, health, and enjoyment. However, introducing parking fees makes participating at Ambleside less accessible. I worry that teammates and other adult players may look to join teams elsewhere simply to avoid these added costs. That would be deeply unfortunate, as West Van FC is a wonderful club with long-standing roots. Many of us have played here for years, and some have been part of the club since childhood.

Sport participation is already declining across the region, and measures that create new barriers—financial or otherwise—only accelerate that trend. Reduced participation has broader ripple effects as well: local cafés, restaurants, and businesses lose the steady traffic that sport brings, and pressure increases on nearby neighbourhoods as players search for limited free parking in adjacent areas.

Across Metro Vancouver, our teams regularly use 40–50 fields, and only a very small number charge for parking—and none are located in residential communities. Ambleside would become an outlier, making West Vancouver uniquely less welcoming and less accessible for sport compared to neighbouring municipalities.

It's important to note that club members already contribute to field access through registration fees. In this context, parking should reasonably be considered part of the overall cost of providing community sport—just as indoor community centres and schools do not charge participants to park when attending practices or games.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask Council to reconsider the decision to implement pay parking at the Ambleside sports fields.

Sincerely,

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West Vancouver Football Club

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From: s. 22(1)
Sent: Sunday, November 30, 2025 10:53 PM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Re: Lack of Consultation for Ambleside Pay Parking initiative

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Dear Mayor and West Vancouver Councillors,

I am a life-time member of the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club (WVFHC) and am writing with concerns about the introduction of Pay Parking at Ambleside in July 2025, as well as the Partner Pass recommendation on the December 1st Council agenda (Proposed Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 5383, 2025 and Amendment Bylaw No. 5422, 2025 – Pay Parking Exemptions).

There has been no meaningful consultation with WVFHC or any of the sport user groups before or after implementation even though the Ambleside fields serve as an outdoor community centre for thousands of athletes, volunteers, and their families.

Pay parking has already created significant challenges for WVFHC, including:

- Adding a parking cost of \$200 to \$300 per year for players (senior and junior athletes), families, coaches, and volunteers.
- Increasing the challenge of the club in attracting coaching staff and volunteers who spend hours on the field.
- Impacting club membership as participants, especially lower-income families, will look elsewhere to play.
- Impacting participants in tournaments, events, and visiting teams, who all now must pay a parking fee.

All of this has the potential of leading to a decline in overall participation. Declines in sports participation negatively impact revenue at local businesses frequented by sports users. And, when field users park in the adjacent free parking, it also impacts residents and Ambleside's shops and restaurants.

It should be noted that out of 10 other fields WVFHC teams play at in Metro Vancouver, only one has pay parking (UBC). The rest are free. Given that families already pay for field access through registration fees, parking should be included as part of sports membership, just as access is included at indoor community centres and at schools.

I respectfully request that Council:

1. Pause the roll-out of Ambleside Pay Parking until proper consultation with all sport user groups occurs.
2. Consider removing Pay Parking at Ambleside, or at minimum provide free parking for recognized sport club members.

WVFHC is a vital contributor to youth and adult recreation, community health, and sport development in West Vancouver. I urge Council to revisit this policy in a collaborative and community-informed way.
Sincerely,

Brigid Flipse - Please do NOT redact my name

From: Mariana Sola [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Monday, December 1, 2025 7:08 AM
To: correspondence; Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Ambleside Pay Parking. Lack of Consultation for Ambleside Pay Parking initiative

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Declines in sports participation negatively impact **revenue at local businesses** frequented by sports users. And when sport users park in the **adjacent free parking**, it also impacts residents and Ambleside's shops and restaurants. Note that **out of 10 other fields** WVFHC teams play at in Metro Vancouver, only 1 has pay parking (UBC). The rest are free.

Given that families already pay for field access through registration fees, **parking should be included as part of sports membership**, just as access is included at indoor community centres and at schools.

Paying parking for the fields and also the parks (whytecliff, lighthouse park, and Cypress park) as also disturbed the neighbours because now people park in front of their houses, it is not inclusive for people of all means and you haven't add any public transportation to access all this areas or any improvements with the recollection money from all this parkings fees.

I respectfully request that Council:

1. **Pause the roll-out of Ambleside Pay Parking** until proper consultation with sport user groups occurs.

2. Consider **removing Pay Parking** at Ambleside, or at minimum **provide free parking for recognized sport club members**.
3. lowering the price of parking in all the West Vancouver parks and provide a clear statement of the improvements in the community with this extra money.

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Sincerely,

Mariana Sola Please do NOT redact my name

Member of WVFHC [redacted] s. 22(1)
[redacted] s. 22(1) West Vancouver BC [redacted] s. 22(1)

Mariana

[redacted] s. 22(1)

From: s. 22(1)
Sent: Monday, December 1, 2025 9:10 AM
To: correspondence; Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Scott Snider; Linda Watt; Peter Lambur; Sharon Thompson
Subject: Lack of Consultation for pay parking at Ambleside

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Dear Mayor and Council

I am a member of the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club and (WVFC) and the North Shore Pickleball Club (NSPC). Both these community clubs service the entire North Shore with 2/3 of their membership being North Vancouver residents. I have lived in West Vancouver for s.22(1) years and my s. 22(1) children were born and raised here. s. 22(1) respectively, who are still active members of WVFC. I am writing with concerns about the introduction of Pay Parking at Ambleside in July 2025, as well as the Partner Pass recommendation on the December 1 Council agenda (*Proposed Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 5383, 2025 and Amendment Bylaw No. 5422, 2025 – Pay Parking Exemptions*).

There has been **no meaningful consultation** with WVFC or NSPC or any of the sport user groups before or after implementation even though Ambleside's fields serve as an **outdoor community centre** for thousands of athletes, volunteers, and their families.

With participation in field hockey and pickleball being North Shore based, I find the implementation of parking fees for non-West Vancouver members an insult and unjustified. So much of our sport communities are bolstered by non-West Vancouver residents not only by participating but also in coaching, mentoring, volunteering and servicing. Charging them to pay at their own club facility is grossly unfair.

Declines in sports participation negatively impacts **revenue at local businesses** frequented by sports users. And when sport users park in the **adjacent free parking**, it also impacts residents and Ambleside's shops and restaurants.

Given that sports members already pay for their sport registration fees, **parking should be included as part of sports membership**, just as access is included at indoor community centres and at schools. Including parking exemption for North Shore based sport club members would be a welcomed amendment and a neighbourly gesture.

I respectfully request that Council:

1. **Pause the roll-out of Ambleside Pay Parking** until proper consultation with sport user groups occurs.
2. Consider **removing Pay Parking** at Ambleside, or at minimum **provide free parking for recognized sport club members**, especially for North Shore Wide sports club members such as WVFC and NSPC.

Sincerely,

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From: Christine Paget [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Monday, December 1, 2025 9:39 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Pay Parking at Ambleside

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Re: Ambleside Pay Parking initiative

Dear Mayor and West Vancouver Councillors,

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I am also a WVFC soccer club member AND a teacher in West Vancouver School District. I coach school sports, I coach community sports, my children attend West Vancouver Schools, and both my parents live in West Vancouver. I am a resident of Lions Bay, but as a smaller community dependent on West Vancouver Programs, I am now forced to pay to lead school activities for my students, forced to pay to coach my son's West Vancouver soccer teams, and forced to pay to attend my daughter's field hockey games. I give on so many levels to this community. I grew up here, I work here, and my parents live here.

There has been **no meaningful consultation** with WVFC or any of the sport user groups before or after implementation even though Ambleside's fields serve as an **outdoor community centre** for thousands of athletes, volunteers, and their families.

Pay Parking has already created significant challenges for WVFC, including:

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- Difficulties attracting coaching staff and volunteers who spend hours on field
- Impacts on club membership as participants, esp lower-income families, look elsewhere
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Sincerely,

Dr. Christine Paget - Please do NOT redact my name

WVFHC member, WVFC member & coach, SD45 teacher

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Lions Bay, BC

s. 22(1)

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Monday, December 1, 2025 3:08 PM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Lack of Consultation for Ambleside Pay Parking initiative

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Sincerely,

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West Vancouver



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From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1) >
Sent: Tuesday, December 2, 2025 8:31 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Re: Lack of Consultation for Ambleside Pay Parking initiative

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Re: Lack of Consultation for Ambleside Pay Parking initiative

Dear Mayor and West Vancouver Councillors,

I am a member of the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club (WVFHC) and am writing with concerns about the introduction of Pay Parking at Ambleside in July 2025, as well as the Partner Pass recommendation on the December 1 Council agenda (*Proposed Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 5383, 2025 and Amendment Bylaw No. 5422, 2025 – Pay Parking Exemptions*).

There has been **no meaningful consultation** with WVFHC or any of the sport user groups before or after implementation even though Ambleside's fields serve as an **outdoor community centre** for thousands of athletes, volunteers, and their families.

Pay Parking has already created significant challenges for WVFHC, including:

- Additional \$200-\$300/year cost on families, youth athletes, coaches, and volunteers
- Difficulties attracting coaching staff and volunteers who spend hours on field
- Impacts on club membership as participants, esp lower-income families, look elsewhere
- Negative impacts on tournaments, events, and visiting teams
- Potential decline in overall participation.

Declines in sports participation negatively impact **revenue at local businesses** frequented by sports users. And when sport users park in the **adjacent free parking**, it also impacts residents and Ambleside's shops and restaurants. Note that **out of 10 other fields** WVFHC teams play at in Metro Vancouver, only 1 has pay parking (UBC). The rest are free.

Given that families already pay for field access through registration fees, **parking should be included as part of sports membership**, just as access is included at indoor community centres and at schools.

I respectfully request that Council:

1. **Pause the roll-out of Ambleside Pay Parking** until proper consultation with sport user groups occurs.
2. Consider **removing Pay Parking** at Ambleside, or at minimum **provide free parking for recognized sport club members**.

WVFHC is a vital contributor to youth recreation, community health, and sport development in West Vancouver. I urge Council to revisit this policy in a collaborative and community-informed way.

Sincerely,

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