



## Media Release

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### **Willow Point Hall recognized as Campbell River heritage property**

Campbell River City Council recognized the Lions Willow Point Community Hall as a local heritage property during its Oct. 23 meeting – a decision that will help the Willow Point Lions Club honour the hall's heritage values while raising money for upgrades.

The move followed Council's endorsement of a City-wide heritage program that will help preserve landmark properties and community features. This form of heritage recognition will bolster property owner's applications for government and foundation grant funding, which can help preserve heritage values in recognized properties.

Information about the new heritage program will soon be posted on the City website ([www.campbellriver.ca](http://www.campbellriver.ca)).

*"Campbell River's heritage program closely resembles the range of recognition options that would typically be found in heritage programs across Canada,"* said recreation and culture supervisor Michele Sirett during her presentation to Council. *"And the research indicates that preserving Campbell River's heritage will enhance community pride and a sense of place for local residents as well as boost tourism and an interest in local investment."*

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