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### **SOCP & Zoning Bylaw Review – Opportunity for Feedback**

The City is inviting community members to discuss the revised draft of the Sustainable Official Community Plan with City Staff at a public open house prior to starting the city council bylaw adoption process. Community feedback will be incorporated into Staff's report to Council for first and second hearing consideration in late October.

**Join us for the open house** on Oct. 12 at the Maritime Heritage Centre (Rotary Hall). Drop in any time from 5 to 8 p.m. to review and comment on the refined draft policies.

Over the past six months, the City hosted a series of four public events to gather community and stakeholder feedback and input on early policy directions for the Sustainable Official Community Plan & Zoning Bylaw Review.

Feedback from participants was generally supportive of the proposed policy updates with a few suggestions for improvement. Some interesting ideas were raised during discussions, such as the idea of a grittier, mixed-use identity for Campbellton to accommodate the existing mix of commercial, industrial and affordable housing while retaining the area's unique character and history.

The Quinsam Heights design session saw great participation from a diverse range of community members including farmers, representatives from local environmental groups, large land owners, developers and other residents. Their contributions, along with input from the public open house and questionnaire, were used to create a revised plan for the neighbourhood.

These sessions also helped the planners and designers refine the drafted policies for secondary dwellings, highway commercial properties, commercial centres, and development permit guidelines, along with directions for the future of the Quinsam Heights neighbourhood. This revised draft is now available for review by the community.

A detailed side-by-side policy summary can be viewed online at [campbellriver.ca/OCPreview](http://campbellriver.ca/OCPreview) – where people can also find information about the project and sign up for email updates about events and activities.

People are also welcome to direct questions to the City's Community Planning and Development Services Department at 250-286-5725.

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