



## **Township of Esquimalt Age-friendly Community Survey**

### **Consolidated Comments**

- All comments are unedited, raw data
- Comments are collected from all respondents (n=247)
- In several cases they are categorized by subtopic

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### **Q7: What supports are needed for you to age in your home?**

Other N=24

a municipal government that enforces bylaws and does not turn their backs on neighbourhoods they don't live in

cheaper rent

Accessibility to Recreation Centre

Home not handicapped accessible. Entry level stairs--would need to move.

Help with showering, vacuuming, laundry

my building is not accessible due to 2 steps at the back door that cannot be remedied within the building code

need help downsizing - kids too busy

no rent increase without pension increase equally

pruning and clean up of large trees the municipality will not allow me to remove help in obtaining/hiring people to do major repairs

senior only qualifying for low cost subsidy

nothing more for the next few years, we hope

\* Garbage bins are heavy to roll up driveway for pickup. \* Easier access to Handy Dart and Taxi Service. \* Health care support. \* Help with special diet meals. \* free grocery ordering and delivery.

elevator

We built our home 3 years ago with age-in-place features therefore my answer to number 6 is not really accurate because I won't FIND a suitable house, I already built it.

I am hoping that my family might be able to assist should I remain in the house when I am unable to fully care for myself. But then -- who knows?

may need to move to be closer to daily amenities in walking distance

potential future nursing or other medical support

modified bathing and mobility equipment

home visit doctor, nursing, careworkers, 7x24 care, alternate to Beacon services that

can provide as required medications, shopping for medical supplies and misc. from drug stores

Not sure what else will be needed as I age.

company there will need to be a social connection with the community activities etc...

Not sure how the municipality can solve these issues.

I plant to stay active and healthy... It who knows what the future will bring.

Carer

Respite care

Nothing at the moment, but things may change. It is an unknown.

grocery shopping is available through many grocery stores

**Q 11: If you don't agree, list any locations where safe and comfortable sidewalks and trails are not available.**

N=56 Responses

uncontrolled, speeding commuter traffic through Esquimalt makes all sidewalks here unsafe; most trails are littered with garbage by day and drunks and drug addicts by night

Some of the streets in the Saxe Point area have no sidewalks and I find this unsettling especially when I walk with my grandchildren.

There is no room for safe sidewalks at the entrance to Glen Vale Rd. Glen Vale road does not have sidewalks, it is a "one time" short street that now has a development below towards the Gorge and they have a sidewalk on one side

telephone poles are located on sidewalks, making it difficult to move around with: stroller/wheelchair

nice to have a chip trail (similar to around Cedar Hill rec - to walk/run) around the golf course

South side of Lyall is bad for walking

I am very disappointed the CRD trail is cut off at the First nation's reserve. Would also like to see it finished from where it hits Esquimalt Road to downtown.

West Bay Area uneven sidewalks, plant growth over sidewalks

Sidewalk from 1188 Esquimalt to Memorial Park

1100 block even # side (NOTE: respondent from Esquimalt Village)

On Admirals by Thrifty's

Uneven sidewalks--on both sides of road at Esquimalt Road from Plaza to B(P?)erk

Head Street from Dunsmuir to Wallaston. Been a disgrace for 48 years.

Grafton Street. Ride walk

Hill off Esquimalt Road.

some sidewalks and laneways are no safe for walkers or scooters

## Appendix E

sidewalk on northside of Esquimalt Rd between Lampson St and Head St over hanging bushes, trees, blackberry vines hit me on the head, hundreds of weeds encroaching on sidewalk

Esquimalt Rd sidewalks east of Lampson narrow at the bus booth and utility pole.  
Numerous tricky curbs

the rail trail beside the RR tracks on the Indian reserve

Head st.

sidewalks are a mess, with cracks, uneven slopes. sidewalk slopes, ect.

no sidewalks on Kenver  
unleashed dogs

Esquimalt/Admirals - side walks to Dry Docks and walking trail area  
lower Head St especially Wolleston to Dunsmuir

maintenance of sidewalks and boulevards has declined substantially during recent years

no sidewalks through from Parklands to Admirals walk, bike trail ends at Esq. nation

Saxe Point Park. Walker cannot get by area on ocean side, extremely overgrown

Carlisle St; park to Comerford

Carlisle St; Park to Comerford

Very few street lights on my street, Old Esquimalt. Sidewalk on only one side of the street.

Bewdley and Admirals, Constance Ave

Need bus service shelters., e.g. along Craigflower between Tillicum and Admirals, have to stand & wait in rain for buses going to V General Hospital.

Esquimalt road and other streets with raised walks. There is also rebar that needs to be removed from our parks that have caused injury.

My street, Bewdley, does not have sidewalks and it is connected to the DND housing so we deal with more traffic than other cross streets - it is not safe to walk among the cars yet that is what we have to do. Neither does Kinver which is the direct route to the town centre and the water.

## Appendix E

In West Bay, some sidewalks are excellent, but quite a few are poor quality and need replacement (they're beyond fixing)

Lyall st west of Admirals - terrible condition - uneven  
Bewdley st Admirals to Fraser - nonexistent & dangerous particularly where admirals transitions to Bewdley and footpath to Constance joins.  
Constance ave. 400 block - stops mid way. Only one side. Must walk on road.

I am located near the base of a hill. There are steps at each end of my block & to be able to properly cross the street -- I need to walk a considerable distance to reach a street where I could manage if in a wheelchair. To get to a bus, I'd need to manage at least 2 sets of stairs unless I jay-walk which I usually do since stairs are a 'hassle' for me and I'm still fairly 'fit'.

there are many streets with one sidewalk that are very unsafe, there is a 1/4 sidewalk going into Saxe Point that is ridiculous especially for anyone with a walker

To many areas in township to list here.

there are few side walks where I walk and where they are available they are uncomfortable due to a slant to the road and the slants where driveways dissect the side walk

I love the old sidewalks and don't like seeing them replaced

Dunsmuir Rd between Wollaston and Head St. Blackberry bushes taking over sidewalk, and the tree debris on the sidewalk is dangerously slippery to someone with mobility issues. Lastly very dark at night in this area, often have to walk from the Esquimalt bus stop. Sometimes stops me from going out at night.

The patchwork of old rough sidewalk on Lamoson between Esq and Lyall St. can be challenging.

Another area is Mccauly point park, the side facing the ocean should ALL have fence barrier. Nearly had heart attack when granddaughter ran off to the right instead of heading off Left to the interior of the park away from ocean cliff face.

A number of streets in Esquimalt do not have sidewalks. They are on the map.

Fernhill Rd

I Agree, but i dont think that cars and trucks should be able to park there right two wheels on the sidewalk on Lyal St between Admirals and Fraser.

more bike lanes if possible, side roads where cars are always parked

Bewdley Avenue

Stairs on Coville at Hutchinson, along Lockely to Esq. high. all around the Kniver rd neighbourhood

Car drivers don't like to stop for pedestrians in the crosswalk on Esquimalt Road.

Admirals Rd from Maplebank to Hallowell isn't very easy to walk or cross.

Head st below Esquimalt Rd

Bike routes along Lampson need installation to connect residential areas (Rockheights) to link to Galloping Goose.

Depending on your mobility some sidewalks are too narrow, or badly needing repair. There are also poles in the middle of the sidewalk. Some of the trails in Saxe, McCauley and Highrock are starting to deteriorate.

Some sidewalks lead nowhere - some sidewalks are rough with uneven pavement and on some streets (corner Admirals leading S to Bewdley there is no sidewalk) -

the combinations of hills and curves is incompatible with safe scooter travel e.g. the intersection of Wordsley and Lampson

Lyllal street to head street

some what agree but not all streets etc. are accessible depends on area do not know %age

We need sidewalks on all residential streets in Esquimalt. My street doesn't have one on my block even though I live near the village and a school.

: List any facility or business that is not readily accessible to older adults using mobility devices

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## Township facilities

Archie Browning - elevator is old and not handicap friendly

Some public washrooms have heavy doors

Esq Rec needs an elevator where you don't have to ask someone to unlock it so you can use it.

Is there an elevator at the fire station? I'm sure there are times when someone who is disabled, or has trouble walking, wants to go to the conference room downstairs, or want to go to see someone (ie EMSS) on the top floor.

Archie Browning the elevator needs replacing it is old and not easy to operate.

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## Health & community facilities

Neighbourhood House

dentist on Esquimalt Rd

Royal Canadian Legion - Esquimalt

Esq Rd clinic is very outdated and has no automatic door for seniors and disabled person, also the washroom is not handicap friendly.

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## Commercial facilities

Serious Coffee in Esquimalt Plaza

Dollar store - too crowded.

Shoppers Drug Mart company policy of putting merchandise in aisles - difficult for wheelchairs

some stores DO NOT have automatic doors and access is often awkward

Cask and Keg liquor store, disability door button in - out

Neighbourhood Pub

depends which part of Esquimalt ones lives. There are no banks, the medical lab is too far to walk to, no hairdressers for those that can afford them.

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## Residential facilities

Some older apartments and condos do not have elevators.

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## General outdoor spaces

slopes, hills, side streets,

Many of the side streets (such as Bewdley) do not have sidewalks.

There are crosswalks on Esquimalt Rd that are not safe for seniors, especially near Esquimalt Plaza.

Stairs on Coville at Hutchinson, along lockely to esq high. all around the kniver rd neighbourhood

Hills and curves as above

Some sides of roads have no accessible sidewalk.

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Msc.

disability exit and entrance door button

N/A do not use

Not at this moment.

None I'm aware of .

I can't think of any.

Don't know, I don't need a mobility device or know of anyone who does. Personally I drive.

There should be no reason a disabled person in a wheelchair or scooter or who has a walker should have to get someone to set up the stair lift, or a dumbwaiter, so they can go up and down between floors. Individuals should be independent as much as possible and not reliant on others to help them. And what if there is no one around to help them?

Don't know

not applicable to me



**Q17: The following facilities are important to me.**

N=35

Dance Unlimited

Fraternal Order of Eagles

need proper family sit down restaurant and a proper pub

Esquimalt needs more stores, such as clothing (miss having a Fields), department stores and many others....

Community events like Buccaneer Days and the Lantern festival

High school sports, minor sports in the municipality

Strength in outdoor activities such as natural places, parks (free form), and organized park space

Reinvesting in the Youth.

recreation centres in other municipalities

Coffee shops where free internet service is provided; outdoor farmers markets selling organic produce and prepared food; Healthy food stores selling bulk ingredients, not just supplements.

Esquimalt United Church

Rainbow Kitchen (as a volunteer)

Lyall St auto repair

community garden not accessible w/o vehicle

pub, government liquor store

esquimalt neighbourhood society, Constance st.

Country Grocer store, recycling centre

no tennis courts - go to Saanich or Oak Bay

cycling and walking trail - great for electric scooters

## Appendix E

municipal garden waste collection

compost site - public works yard

my own garden

Community groups and social service such as Neighbourhood House

Better shops. Red Barn a step up.

Neighbourhood pub.

West Song Walkway - even better if it could be extended!

West song walkway

Esquimalt United Church

It's vip to keep access to things like the God's Acre Cemetery, too. It means a lot to many people in the city.

Rainbow Kitchen

restaurant choices are limited, clothing stores, hardware stores are not available in proximity for seniors

More grocery options

City Hall, Schools, Fire , Police

Community Events

Lawn Bowling at Vic-West need more tennis c

**Q19: If you don't agree, tell us how you would like to have more say in local government decisions that affect your life.**

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Listening

the municipality needs to pay attention to ALL neighbourhoods and listen to what residents are saying

No one listens

I just would like them to listen and carry through on some of our suggestion

local referendums on important questions

are we actually heard??

listen to me

Gov. doesn't listen; their personal wants are what gets done

Have input.

Every time i e mail the Esquimalt about an issue like road and sidewalk, i never get a reply, so i have stopped. I have lived in other towns and have e mailed them and always got a reply.

problem isn't saying the problem is listening, change only comes when they are pressed on social media

Do not feel that I am taken seriously when I have something of concerns - often patronized or discredited...not only by staff but sometimes those who sit at the council table..

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Influence

I don't feel I have much say but I think I am informed even though usually after the fact.

I don't take part any more

Referendums should be allowed on small scale decisions through online voting.

we should have more open forum with a vote being taken I don't believe that council knows the pressures on taxpayers today

Sometimes asking the public's opinion is just a public relations exercise

I have enough say, but is anyone listening? Staff seem to be more of a roadblock to new ideas and change, then council. They prefer to say it is not possible, because it makes their work life easier.

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## Decisions

too much time and money on studying problems - make a decision

Let us give input before making our decisions

I usually don't find out about how decisions are going to affect me personally, until it's a bit late. However, I trust the mayor of Esquimalt primarily & realize that most of what she supports is ok with me and mine. I can't say that about other 'mayors' in the area.

Major decisions are out of local govt hands e.g. sewage treatment.

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## Communication

good communication from council

More advance notice that is widely distributed about public meetings/opportunities to find out more and offer input.

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## Participation

A small percentage of Esquimalt is involved. Why? Everything is ok or ?

I'm not sure citizens we're considered when another liquor store (Tudor House) was approved. A replacement for the Tudor House would've been a bitter option for Esq

Unintended or unwanted outcomes due to a lack of understanding in the community or, situations better is needed to ensure better conditions for implementation I believe through participation and partnerships. My voice and the community of Esquimalt will feel involved to challenge the poor outcomes we face with the community issues we

face on a whole. I believe the Community Tool Box is essential to logically meet the needs of all ages; in order to have more say with local government decisions that impact my family and, community for progressive outcomes. Thank you..

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## Specific requests

when I raise a concern with a counsellor or staff person, they should provide feedback; e.g.: I requested a better cross walk on Lampson for 20+ years, with several counsellors. It is there for safer crossing to the high school

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## Misc.

BC Housing serves BC Housing!

Think there has been great progress. Will be more trusting and positive when we see the progress of proposed projects.

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## Not relevant to age-friendly issues

why not a nice restaurant on the Tudor House lot NOT more booze

I think waste management should be located at McLaughlin Point.

no sewer plant in Esquimalt

get your fingers out and fix the sewage treatment problem

There is no mechanism to curtail the wasteful expenditure on what I feel are unneeded projects.

feel that to save Cook Street any upset Esquimalt will get the sewage outlet. People who live in this region do not have the same importance as others in the CRD. That is not just me but the populace of Esquimalt. Q23: If you don't agree, tell us how the Township could provide information you need in an easy to use form.

N=23

You could start by losing Survey Monkey to do surveys. The options for each question are idiotic.

I would like to receive weekly/monthly email

The bylaw is open to interpretation by my personal experience.

Newsletters are OK. I would prefer the Township to participate in radio interviews, call-in-shows to engage participation and provide information on various issues. Otherwise, apathy is the order of the day

Need to let people know they can't open burn in back yards

Often when calling help line there is no answer or they do not get back to you internet and e-mail

I don't use computers and still writes cheques

French paper

mail-outs, especially with property tax statement

phone back; I walk, so I need an answer I don't want to fill out a form. I phone Recognize and accommodate hearing and visually challenged seniors.

I'm expected to respond immediately to any request to move vehicles, even if I am away.

Would like to know information dealing with the Carlisle Ave. neighbour hood before I read it in the Esquimalt rag.

Prefer print hard copy. Do not do computers.

Difficult to read thru minutes of meeting. There should be posted a short summary of decisions at the outset of the website. Hear about decisions on the radio sometimes.

Email? More surveys specific to a question i.e. sewage treatment which has been a debacle

I don't have working computer ( can afford to replace) and no longer have internet. More public notices, maybe a public notice board like I have seen in shopping strip of Oak Bay.

Some information is available. I am more neutral than disagree, but you do not have neutral. The question is very general. As an example, we have to search through minutes to see what development, zoning applications are potentially going to impact us. Other municipalities like Victoria make this information available on website and solicit comments online as well. Is there a website page that points to how to get help as a senior in Esquimalt for the information you asked in previous questions? Does each

municipality have to do this for themselves since much is common, once I found it for parents.

Web based solutions. Open data - example. Post plans for development online, open these up for comment and concern...can rarely make council presentations by developers....film them and post them!

It would be nice to now how effective this has been for the community.

This is an. Ongoing problem , how do you inform citizens. Most have very busy lives and just do not have the time. People attend council meetings only when there is something controversial. And even then you may get at most 50 to 100 if it is a big issue out of a population of 17,000. Most do not have time to look at the website or some do not even have a computer. Even to find this survey I had to go through a number of operations. I truly do not have the answer.

To access this survey, I was unable to use the web address given at the workshop event, instead had to hunt around for the survey.

Some information is easy to find and some difficult. the bylaws could use plain English point form outlines and be better searchable rather than having to wade through all the bureaucratic prose

it's available but only if you are computer knowledgeable

**Q26: List any services associated with any of the above mentioned aspects that are not available in Esquimalt. (other)**

N=47

Huh?

restaurants

not enough subsidized housing and reasonable co-ops or rentals

Lack of affordable housing for first time buyers with families. No health services for Lab work and X-rays.

Doctors taking new patients. VIHA Lab (located in View Royal)

I don't believe there are enough senior apartments available. I have at least 2 friends in the Renaissance but there is a waiting list to get in and I'm not aware of other similar facilities.

Need more interesting drop in social activities at Esquimalt Recreation Centre; More community gardens, the wait list is too long! Carrie Street (between Colville & Craigflower) needs speed bumps on the road to deter high volumes of traffic taking a short cut.

We need at least one fine dining restaurant in Esquimalt. Family physicians are needed everywhere.

A department store for casual shopping. The Dollar Store is too expensive.  
more senior citizen groups

more senior citizen groups

few doctors

buses crowded due to cutbacks in services - expensive esp. since no senior tickets. I was an orphan patient 4 of the last 6 years I have to make Dr. appts for my Dad 2 weeks in advance in order to get Handy Dart to get him there and back. Handy dart should not be limiting access to doctors

family doctor taking new patients enough housing with supported living

no medical building

dental

assistance with meal preparation



home support - meal delivery for elderly a family restaurant - not fast food, MacDonald's, A&W

no real village like Oak Bay

I need the municipality to maintain the large trees or I will have to move. Other residents enjoy the trees so all should pay, not just the property owner

senior only low income apartment, subsidized BC 24 a for age 65+. There are none at this time. Perhaps 55+ would be fine also

more senior housing more doctors

need more stores (hardware, family restaurants

Good medical clinics and doctors, esp. women doctors

reasonably priced rental housing

Housework and health care. Not enough bus shelters on Craigflower Road between Admiral and Tillicum Roads

No Drs, only walk in clinics

Like to see the Legion project move ahead so us retired people may down size and rent plus travel with our invested housing money that we will also spend in this quaint community. We are willing to pay high rents for quality rentals in the future. Buy my place, put me on the top floor of a four story complex with some spending money and we can sell you a whole block.

no public tennis courts

Traffic is bad, especially on the bridges at peak times. It's inconvenient to live in Esquimalt due to this.

Interestingly, there is not a nice pub anywhere near the town centre where seniors could enjoy a convivial pint in nice surroundings!

The sidewalk system is haphazard. I wish that continuous sidewalks were available on residential streets.

Don't know.

Crossing Esquimalt Rd at crosswalks is dangerous, vehicles speed along without stopping.

no income - how do I live?

I live at Parklands/Admirals. Bus is infrequent and unreliable especially evenings and weekends.

There is no handicap access to the upper floor of the rec. center where all the exercise machines are. I am paying taxes here but have to spend money in other municipalities to use their gym. Install a chair lift. Oak Bay rec. center has had one to the upper lounge area for years.

No full medical facility, like Burnside clinic.

Adequate long term care, adequate assisted living, home visit doctors, ....

Nowhere to buy socks!

outward community pride. In Esquimalt, we know what we have, but are reluctant to change the image across Victoria.

Would like to see Esquimalt approach the folks at the Times-Colonist and offer up the Archie Browning Arena at a discounted rate for their annual Book Sale. Proceeds of this sale help area schools.

Youth services/programs/ outreach for high risk youth. I believe this has been already identified as one of the major Gaps in Esquimalt for building a healthy,sustainable community.

There is no cheap housing, but then there isn't any anywhere anymore.

I want to age my way and that nobody assume they know what is best for me - since I know already - would like to be heard when I do have something to say and not patronized..

we can't do much about the unfriendly hills

Home support services exist but are under funded - Esquimalt Neighbourhood House gets full marks and deserves more attention for the aged who are not really sick but need help to fully participate in a socially otherwise they get isolated from social participation especially when they also care givers of a spouse

## Q. 27: General comments

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### Housing

#6 - Sunset Lodge only total care facility. Is it actually in Esquimalt? Right on border. Renaissance is independent living. No assisted living.

Allowing older people to have a small dog or cat we they are found responsible.

more housing for people with mobility devices on the ground floor of buildings

have more senior 65+ housing

More rentals --apartments/ senior housing

Good mix of housing.

We have a Retirement Home (Renaissance) but I would like to see Assisted Living or Long term care for those who are assessed as needing it

I would like the township to facilitate multigenerational residential developments.

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### Public transportation & mobility

#24 - \*traffic calming islands\* are dangerous at times, due to some tall plants. You can not see pedestrians at times. Brick walkways are slippery when wet - you can fall and injure yourself

Better bus service from Craigflower Road to the Esquimalt Recreation Center, Country Grocer Plaza.

less expensive senior bus passes

Have many more bus shelters on Craigflower Road between Admiral and Tillicum Roads. especially the north side of Craigflower for bus to VGH.

On busses:youth will sit while aged stand.

And on bus topic,more busses are needed between 2 pm and 6. It's standing room from Head St on down town.

#24 should mention location and walk-ability a 15 minute walk can take you almost any where - my first priority

Easier access to transit options for people with limited mobility.

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## Social participation & recreation

I play pickle ball at age 68, 3 times a week. There is a need for more court time for this rapidly growing sport activity

Events for active and fit older adults such as organized cycling outings etc.

think of the age friendly recreational centres in James Bay for example and many places around Toronto -- I know Esquimalt is 'small' in comparison to some of these other areas -

Would like to see more senior exercise classes being offered at the Recreation Center such as those in the pool during the day. E.G. from 10 to 11 or from 1 to 2:00

I would like to see half price for seniors at the rec center, so I could join the swimming group and exercise

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## Health services

Once you go through the process of helping an elderly family member that has complications, you realize how much is required. I put don't know above because I have helped an elderly parent in another municipality, not here, so I just don't know what we have / do not have. I do know that we do not have a Long Term Care like Mt. St. Marys.

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## Buildings, public spaces and land use

Do we have any restaurants in Esquimalt that is user friendly? ie: automatic door or ramp with a rail?

A village centre like Oak Bay with its mixed residential and commercial (stores galore) would be a great vision for Esquimalt.

New rental accommodation on bus routes. Smaller lot homes --rezoning to make possible so downzoning in Esquimalt more feasible. Increase density to encourage immigration and supporting services.

Would appreciate more businesses with door opening buttons.

A nice family sit down restaurant.

parking spots, benches to rest on

we don't need anymore wine and beer stores for our growing community

Keep Esquimalt a bedroom community - scrap development plans.

a credit union and govt liquor store would be nice

I would like to see more shopping opportunities. I have to leave Esquimalt for almost everything I need.

Street lighting is required on Dunsmuir Road. Winter time it is dark.

Interestingly, there is not a nice pub anywhere near the town centre where seniors could enjoy a convivial pint in nice surroundings!

The traffic light in front of the Grocers' parking lot is not long enough for someone like me to get from one side to the other.

Excellent services and walkability. Good local community. Lack of interest on the street though - needs more for people to do while walking

Washrooms facilities that are well marked

I believe that council needs to more pro active to encourage greater densification in order to make it easier financially whilst preserving a good community not just defend the status quo be creative and novel not oh we can't do this and we can't do that more people will bring more services

Wider and more sidewalks. Start connecting all those pieces of sidewalk in front of new construction. Lyall St. sidewalk for example is in need of replacement immediately. Prefect place to make a nice wide sidewalk and put in a bike lane.

Meetings for seniors to inform them of new/current services more often.

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## Community support

rainbow kitchen very supportive

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## Employment & volunteer opportunities

#22 Work force participation: Someone noted they were retired but want part time work, 15 to 20 hours per week

I- but sometimes I feel left out. For example -- I am 'retired' but I am looking for work or volunteer work to fill my time and help me return to being 'really useful' -- that's not even recognized by this survey.

assisted seniors living on a very limited income

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## Respect & civic participation

People over 55 are not dead .... they have similar interests and concerns to everyone else.

I do have a comment in terms of Senior Engagement - although I would consider being under that umbrella - I have also found a particular element that once a person reaches a certain age or (considered a senior if you will) that this particular age group may fit into a box (I do not like that adjective but that is what I see) -

My take on this is that I do not want to be put into that box - I will just climb out of it. Most of us are very capable of staying engaged in our community in some way (certainly this has many forms and I would like to think that I can continue to live my life my way as part of a whole community and not just within the confines of a certain demographic - i.e: seniors) I see many times where certain life tasks are taken away from an older demographic because it is assumed they can no longer do those tasks - without being asked - and those tasks also take many forms - without getting into specifics -

To be accepted at all levels of society in Esq.

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## General comments

The love of money and greed can kill.

I am planning to stay as healthy as I can as long as I can but who predicts strokes, heart attacks, broken hips, Alzheimer's, etc.? I didn't know chemo would cause nerve damage.

I have lived in Esquimalt for 26 years. I find it friendly, helpful, very convenient to everything.

It is a wonderful place to live--a hidden gem--have lived here one year and glad I came.

Don't let the Esquimalt hood rats in McDonalds

clean up the buildings across esp. from Adm. - city hall lawn

keep up the good work; mayor and council - good on you

Try and remain independent. Don't amalgamate with Vic or Saanich!

Thank you all for your amazing work and leadership. Its a honour to be able to call this amazing community my home. :)

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## Misc.

Neighbourhood ID question: Vic West —but we offered no spot for out of towners

#17 - The more park space the better.

#6 - council could have approved the 12 story building @ Esquimalt Rd and Admirals

#24 - recreation centre

# 24 - all of the above, Esquimalt is a wonderful place to live

#24 - affordable up to now; friendly people; family close by; relatively quiet

#25 - yappy dogs, unleashed dogs, uncontrolled, 1 dog, 1 house  
I'm still a pretty young senior. Don't quite need age related services yet.