



Improving Connections Along the David Foster Harbour Pathway

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VICTORIA, BC – The David Foster Harbour Pathway is a pedestrian route offering unparalleled views of Victoria's spectacular Inner Harbour. Whether taking in a leisurely stroll, a lunch or coffee break, or commuting to work, the Harbour Pathway connect residents and visitors with key destinations in the city, from award-winning restaurants to marine-based tourism activities, and everything in between.

Over the next year, the City will be improving the Harbour Pathway in three locations, with a focus on making connections, improving accessibility, and creating interesting and fun public spaces along the way:

- **Heron Cove:** This beautiful cove next to Fisherman's Wharf will be enhanced with a footbridge, seating and access to the shoreline.
- **Raymur Point:** A new footbridge bridge crossing will improve this waterfront connection.
- **Reeson Park:** An accessible pathway through this waterfront park will be constructed. A plan to guide future park improvements will also be developed.

The public can learn more about the draft concepts for these three locations and provide feedback through an online survey at www.haveyoursayvictoria.com, and at two open houses:

Heron Cove Open House

Tuesday, July 5, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Located beside Fisherman's Wharf parking lot

Reeson Park Open House

Wednesday, July 6, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Located at the intersection of Wharf and Yates Street

As part of these improvements to the Harbour Pathway, this summer Ship Point will be transformed into a lively public space with 'Pop-Up Ships', the winning submission from the placemaking competition held earlier this year. 'Pop-Up Ships' will feature seating inspired by origami paper boats and an oversized sculptural element.

Once complete, the Harbour Pathway will extend over five kilometres from Rock Bay to Ogden Point. Special sites will draw people to the waterfront to gather with friends and family and take in the Capital City's signature community events.

In 2008, a plan for the Victoria Harbour Pathway was created, calling for the development of a five kilometer long continuous public pathway from Ogden Point to Rock Bay. In May 2012, the Harbour Pathway was renamed the David Foster Harbour Pathway, to coincide with the City's 150th celebratory events and the 25th anniversary of the David Foster Foundation. The municipal honour was recognition of Victoria resident David Foster's contribution to arts and culture, and his philanthropic and humanitarian work throughout Canada and the world.

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