

OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE

ATTACHMENT 1

August 25, 2026

On July 22, 2025, Council approved the work program for the updating of the Official Community Plan (OCP). The work program commenced in late August 2025 and included seven (7) phases over a twelve (12) month project timeline. A snapshot of the updated work program and the phases is included as Appendix A, which shows that the project will be considered for adoption early in 2027.

An Official Community Plan sets the course for future development of Lytton, by establishing objectives, policies and an implementation plan with a focus on the type of community growth, where to accommodate growth, the provision of services and specific issues of concern to be addressed

The current OCP is more than twenty-five years old, and although its policies continue to be relevant, the OCP also needs to be in accordance with more recent amendments to the *Local Government Act* and consider impacts from the 2021 fire, atmospheric river, changing demographics, Nlaka'pamux engagement and updated information, mapping, and overall community input.

1. CURRENT STATUS

The updating of the Official Community Plan is in the fifth phase. A delay in the draft OCP deliverable was in part due to the desire to include more youth and young adult outreach. Staff worked with the broader community through meeting with [Kumsheen ShchEma-meet School](#) students as well as the [Young Adult Survey \(YAS\)](#). Staff will reach to the Stein Valley Nlaka'pamux School to comment on the draft document, as a power outage prevented their involvement.

The illustrations and detailed comments from the school and YAS outreach are included in Appendix B and Appendix C of this report, respectively. Staff is now drafting the document which will include the following sections:

Land Acknowledgement + Reconciliation

Community Participation

1. Introduction/Purpose
2. Official Community Plan Overview
3. Lytton Context and Community
4. Vision
5. Policies
 - each section will include a “background” explaining the topic* area and relevance to Lytton.
 - tentative policy topics include: Reconciliation, Relations, Economy, Preparedness, Housing, Natural Environment, Food + Agriculture, Parks, Trails, Facilities + Learning, and Facilities (utilities)
 - developed from either community engagement directions or technical information (i.e. environmental report, geotech reports, Firesmart, etc.)
6. Actions
 - action the corresponding policies
 - actions need to be measurable, and identify who is responsible, projected timelines and sources of funding.
7. Monitoring
 - built in program to measure the success of the actionable items and then determine where there is success and failure.
8. Development Permit Guidelines
9. Maps

The policy topics* are still being finalized to ensure that nothing is missed from the community outreach and that the document is not overly wordy and user friendly. For the most part illustrations, photos and maps will be used to ensure that the document is easy to understand and apply.

The OCP is being drafted with clear recognition of the limited staff resources moving forward. The actions will identify responsibilities, timelines and possible funding opportunities.

2. KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

Phase 5 of the work program focused on youth and young adult engagement as well as the review and analysis of technical reports, and public input.

3. ISSUES AND RISKS

The Village will continue to reach out to Nlaka’pamux governments for their input on how to get input or specific comments on the developing OCP. On July 15th the Mayor and the Director of Development visited Lytton First Nation, Skuppah Band, Siska Band, Kanaka Bar Band and Nicomen and delivered the status update timeline included as Appendix D.

4. UPCOMING TASKS

Council has requested that the document be released in sections, so that the community has sufficient time to review and provided comments. Currently, staff recommend the following phased release (at regularly scheduled Council meetings):

- **September 8, 2026** – The introductory sections of the OCP will be presented to Council. It is recommended that an outreach session for these sections will be held at an Open House during the ***week commencing September 21st***.

The sections will also be sent to Chiefs, Council and staff at the surrounding communities, and the Thompson Nicola Regional District for consideration. This is not the required referral process but a precursor.

Once the OCP Bylaw is in close to final form, the entire document will be formally referred to the broader community, regional and provincial agencies. The draft document will also be available on-line for comment.

- **September 22, 2026** – The policy and action sections of the OCP will be presented to Council. It is recommended that outreach sessions for these sections be held at an Open House during the week commencing October 5th.

As with above the sections will be sent to the broader community with the final referral not occurring until the OCP Bylaw is close to final form.

- **October 13, 2026** – The *monitoring program, final maps and the Development Permit Guidelines* will be presented to Council. It is recommended that outreach sessions for these sections be held at an Open House during the week commencing October 19th or the following week, depending on workload.

As with above the sections will be sent to the broader community with the final referral not occurring until the OCP Bylaw is close to final form.

Following this outreach the OCP Bylaw will be prepared for initial readings and referrals early in November 2026.

The Village website project page will be updated concurrent with the September 8, 2026 meeting.

5. BUDGET UPDATE

The Budget is still progressing as projected.

ATTACHMENTS

- A – Work Program
- B – Summary of Youth Outreach
- C – Young Adult Survey
- D - Nlaka’pamux Governance Outreach, July 15, 2026