



VILLAGE UPGRADES

CUMBERLAND | BEVAN | DUNSMUIR

Moving the Village Forward - Summer 2016



That's a wrap! Road paving complete on Dunsmuir

After six months of work resulting in the replacement of critical underground infrastructure, the final step of paving is complete on Dunsmuir Avenue.

This marks the completion of very important upgrades for the village – replacement of old, deteriorating water and sewer pipes to ensure continued use, separation of storm and sewer pipes that will allow for more efficient management and of course, improvements to curbs, sidewalks and letdowns and fresh new pavement.

“We know projects like these are challenging for everyone to work around and we thank the entire community for their understanding,” said Mayor Leslie Baird.

The work was extended by one month when the original schedule was blown off course by the record-setting storms of October. Final steps, such as line painting and landscaping will be completed as weather allows. Replacement street trees will be planted in the spring.

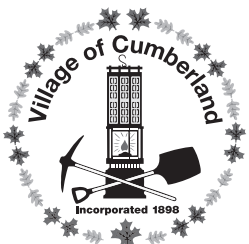
Improving underground infrastructure and roads is a key priority for Village council – and this marks an important milestone for the community.

With Dunsmuir Avenue wide open once again, the village encourages everyone to come by soon – and stop into a local shop to join all in saying thank-you for the patience.

What's Happening Now:

While work is complete on Dunsmuir Avenue, there are still construction crews in the area working to complete laneway work between Dunsmuir and Penrith. This work will complete the separation of storm and sewer services.

- Laneway between Third and Fourth is complete.
- Contractor moving to Seventh Street-end of laneway and working westward.
- Final paving on Seventh and Sixth (between Dunsmuir and Penrith) will be completed as laneway work in that block is finished.





Cumberland Road on Village's new year's resolution list

The Dunsmuir Avenue work is Part 1 of the Village Upgrades project, and Part 2 – the improvement to the Cumberland Road entrance to the village – is expected to begin in spring/summer 2017.

The Cumberland Road work will include widening the road to include dedicated bike lanes, adding sidewalks on Bevan Road, improvements to pedestrian crossing, and is the next stage to improvement already made along Bevan Road toward the Comox Valley waste management centre.

It's currently projected that a tender will be posted for the work on this road in late 2016/early 2017. Watch Cumberland.ca/villageupgrades for updates in the coming months.

Future Updates

To help inform the community on the progress of the Village Upgrades project, this newsletter has been produced monthly and circulated by hand, email and social media, and posted to the project's webpage. With the most disruptive work now complete, this newsletter won't continue on a monthly basis, but will be produced when there are updates to share.



Look Back: Why Upgrade?

Months of construction can wear on anyone's patience – so it's important to remember why this project is so important and why it happened now.

- The two pieces of this project make up roughly \$5.75 million in road work and service upgrades for the Village – with \$4.85 million of that provided by outside funding sources.
- Separating out stormwater collection from sewer collection is key to plan for efficient, sustainable wastewater management into the future.
- Some of the water and sewer pipes along Dunsmuir were 80+ years old. Some were starting to fail and were costly to maintain.
- Improving accessibility with updated sidewalks and letdowns is a priority that could be addressed while underground infrastructure is improved.

How to stay in touch

This work may be disruptive at times and the project team is committed to reducing that as much as possible by sharing information regularly. Here's how you can keep in touch:

- These as needed bulletins will be sent out by mail, or email
- Email questions/comments to villageupgrades@cumberland.ca
- Check out the website: Cumberland.ca/villageupgrades
- Follow us on social media:
 -  facebook.com/villageupgrades
 -  twitter.com/villageupgrades

This monthly update is issued by the Village of Cumberland to keep the community informed of ongoing construction works anticipated in 2016.

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