



# Community Survey

2006 OCP Review

*The purpose of this survey is to obtain information from Duncan residents that will help the City with its upcoming review of the Official Community Plan (OCP). Your responses will help us understand the issues that are most important to you and will help us develop plans that address your concerns and aspirations.*

**Please take the time to complete the survey – we value your input.**

## HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

The following information is important for accurate statistical analysis - this information will only be used to analyze and interpret the results. The personal information that you provide is subject to and protected by the *Freedom of Information and Protection Privacy Act*.

1. Sex:    Female -  Male
  
2. Do you **live** within the municipal boundaries of the City of Duncan?  
(See the enclosed *Backgrounder* for a map.)  
 Yes     No     Not sure
  
3. Which **one** of the following best describes the area/neighbourhood where you presently live?  
(See *map of Neighbourhood Boundaries on the last page of this survey, for greater detail.*)  
 Coronation (btwn Hwy and Duncan St.)  
 Marchmont (S. of Trunk, E of Hwy)  
 Chesterfield (N. of Trunk, E of Hwy)  
 Centennial Heights  
 Cairnsmore (Area N. of Herbert)  
 Downtown
  
4. If you do not live in the City of Duncan, in what area do you live?  
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5. Do you **work** within the municipal boundaries of the City of Duncan?  
 Yes     No     Not sure
  
6. Approximately how many years have you lived within the municipal boundaries of the City of Duncan?  
 Less than 2 yrs     3-10     11-15     16+
  
7. Approximately how many years have you lived in the Cowichan Valley area?  
 Less than 2 yrs     3-10     11-15     16+
  
8. Please tell us your age category:  
 Under 19 yrs.     19-34 yrs.     35-49 yrs.     50-64 yrs.     + 65 yrs.
  
9. Do you:     Own     Rent
  
10. What type of dwelling do you live in? (*Pick the one that best describes your residence.*)  
 Single family detached house                       Triplex/fourplex  
 Town/row housing     Apartment building  
 Secondary suite     Mobile home  
 Duplex     Other - (please describe)\_\_\_\_\_
  
11. How many people reside in your household?  
No. of adults:\_\_\_\_\_ No. of children/youth\_\_\_\_\_



12. What do you most **value** about living in the City of Duncan? (*Please select 3 only.*)

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Quiet, peaceful setting | <input type="radio"/> Small town                                 | <input type="radio"/> Diversity in population     |
| <input type="radio"/> Affordability           | <input type="radio"/> Rural setting                              | <input type="radio"/> Economic opportunity        |
| <input type="radio"/> Caring community, safe  | <input type="radio"/> Urban setting                              | <input type="radio"/> Family friendly             |
| <input type="radio"/> Locally owned shops     | <input type="radio"/> The schools                                | <input type="radio"/> Cultural events             |
| <input type="radio"/> Access to major stores  | <input type="radio"/> Easy access to nature & outdoor recreation | <input type="radio"/> Access to Valley-grown food |
| <input type="radio"/> Walkable                | <input type="radio"/> Economic opportunities                     | <input type="radio"/> Other _____                 |
| <input type="radio"/> Community events        |  |   |

13. What do you **like least** about living in the City of Duncan?

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14. What do you like **most** about living in the City of Duncan?

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### NEIGHBOURHOODS

15. Please tell us 3 things you like about your **neighbourhood** (*See map in Backgrounder*):

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

16. Is there anything you do **not like** about your neighbourhood?

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### HOUSING AND DENSITY

17. If more housing is built in the City of Duncan to meet community needs, what types do you feel are appropriate?

	Yes	No	Possibly	Don't Know
Large apartment dwellings (greater than 4 storeys (+40 units))	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mid-sized apartment buildings (2-4 storeys, 20-25 units)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Small scale apartments (2 stories, max. 12 units)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Townhomes or row housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Single-detached houses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Small lot homes (in-fill housing)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Alternative housing (such as co-housing, cooperative housing)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Secondary suites in single family dwellings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Apartments in houses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mobile homes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Duplexes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Triplex/4plexes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

18. Are any of the housing types (listed above) more appropriate in some areas of the City than other areas?" If so, please describe.

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## SOCIAL ISSUES

19. Please prioritise the following list of 12 objectives (or add your own), to help guide the Plan:

Priority 1-12)

	Distinct neighbourhood identities
	Housing affordability
	Housing for special needs
	Protection of the natural environment
	Arts and Culture (eg: facilities, public art, events)
	Heritage preservation
	Other:

	Family services
	Transportation
	Youth services
	Seniors services
	Economic development (jobs and business opportunities)
	Community Safety
	Other:

20. What emerging **social issues** do you feel our community needs to specifically focus on? (*Please pick your top 3.*)

- Youth issues                       Seniors' isolation                       Community safety  
 Employment opportunities       Race relations                       Sense of community / neighbourliness  
 Drug & alcohol addiction           Gender equality                       Other: \_\_\_\_\_

21. (a.) How safe do you feel in the City during the **daytime**? (*Circle one.*)

1                      2                      3                      3                      4  
 Very safe      Safe                      Neutral                      Unsafe at times                      Not safe

(b.) How safe do you feel in the City after **nightfall**? (*Circle one.*)

1                      2                      3                      3                      4  
 Very safe      Safe                      Neutral                      Unsafe at times                      Not safe

22. If you have concerns for you or members of your family, please tell us where or under what circumstances, you feel **unsafe**?

## ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

23. What are the **5** most important environmental issues that need to be addressed in the City in the next **10-15 years**? (*Please list in order of importance e.g. 1,2,3,4,and 5 - with 1 being the most important.*)

<input type="radio"/>	Water protection/Aquifer	<input type="radio"/>	Dumping and Litter
<input type="radio"/>	Stormwater management	<input type="radio"/>	Tree protection (private property)
<input type="radio"/>	Sewage treatment	<input type="radio"/>	City trees (public areas such as boulevards, parks)
<input type="radio"/>	Watercourses/riparian systems	<input type="radio"/>	Urban farming
<input type="radio"/>	Pesticides	<input type="radio"/>	Flooding
<input type="radio"/>	Recreation trails and pathways	<input type="radio"/>	Garbage/Recycling
<input type="radio"/>	Air Quality	<input type="radio"/>	Natural areas that should be protected or enhanced
<input type="radio"/>	Environmental standards for new buildings	<input type="radio"/>	Other:
<input type="radio"/>	Sustainable development		

24. Do you have other comments on the environment?

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## ECONOMIC ISSUES

25. Do you think the City needs to have more commercial activity? *(Circle one)*

1	2	3	4	5
Strongly in Favour	Somewhat in Favour	Neutral/ No Opinion	Somewhat Opposed	Strongly Opposed

26. Please tell us about where you prefer to shop and why.

	Preferred area	Sometimes go there	Never go there	Please tell us why you <b>do</b> or <b>do not</b> shop there
Downtown District	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
Downtown North (Canada Ave. and Beverly St. area)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
Trunk Road	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
Highway Corridor	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
Coronation St. area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
Cairnsmore (Bruce's Grocery corner)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
Duncan Mall area (Cowichan Tribes Land)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
Other:	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	

27. What aspects of economic development do you think are most important to address? *(Please check up to 3 only.)*

<input type="radio"/> Strategies to attract new businesses	<input type="radio"/> Promoting tourism
<input type="radio"/> Streamlining permits/approvals	<input type="radio"/> Improving transportation within the region
<input type="radio"/> Encouraging home-based businesses	<input type="radio"/> High Tech
<input type="radio"/> More industrially zoned areas	<input type="radio"/> More commercially zoned areas
<input type="radio"/> Sustainable ('green') ventures	<input type="radio"/> Beautification revitalization (improving architecture and streetscapes)
<input type="radio"/> Provision of business economic incentives	
<input type="radio"/> Encouraging value-added business (eg: manufacturing)	<input type="radio"/> Ensuring Duncan is the commercial centre of the Cowichan Valley

## TRANSPORTATION

28. Please rate the adequacy of the following aspects of transportation.

	Very Good	Adequate	Neutral/No Opinion	Poor	Very Poor
Pedestrian Facilities (sidewalks, cross-walks, shortcuts/pathways)	1	2	3	4	5
Cycling Facilities (Bike lanes, signage, road maintenance, bike racks)	1	2	3	4	5
Off-road multi-use trails and corridors	1	2	3	4	5
Public Transit Service (schedule, frequency)	1	2	3	4	5
Inter-community Transit (Eg: Duncan to L. Cow or Duncan to Mill Bay etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Transit Facilities (Shelter, seating, maintained stops)	1	2	3	4	5
Accessibility (curb ramps, auditory x-walks, visual aids, continuous pathways)	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic Calming (humps, bumps, circles, medians etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Vehicle Traffic Flow	1	2	3	4	5



