



THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY

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# MEDIA RELEASE

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March 25, 2020 - Village of Lions Bay, BC – **Effective immediately, the Village of Lions Bay has closed all its beach parks, trails, and open spaces, including parking lots, playgrounds and public washrooms**, and is asking everyone to stay away from these lands and facilities until further notice to help “flatten the curve”. Those who breach Village bylaws will face heavy fines.

Lions Bay is blessed with a scenic location on the shores of Howe Sound and is a welcoming community in normal times. Unfortunately, these are not normal times and this tiny seaside Village is struggling to comply with the Order of the Provincial Health Officer restricting gatherings of people and the directives of Federal, Provincial and local health authorities to maintain Social Distancing.

“We have seen a sharp influx in groups of visitors coming to Lions Bay to recreate in our trails and tiny beach parks and causing us to exceed the public health orders and directives” stated Mayor Ron McLaughlin. “As a result, we have no choice but to take all necessary steps to comply with the rules that have been implemented for the greater good of society. We all have to do our share to get through this together, but apart.”

The Municipality looks forward to welcoming residents and visitors back to its parks, trails, beaches and open spaces when some sense of normalcy returns and everyone can enjoy Lions Bay in health and safety once again.

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