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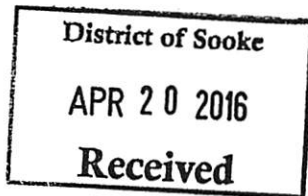
Proposed:	Development Permit and Development Variance Permit Applications for 6689 Goodmere Road (Lot 1, Section 10, Sooke District, Plan 26588)
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become part of the public record.*



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[REDACTED]
Sooke, BC
April 20, 2016

Dear Council,

We live at [REDACTED] across from the proposed garden centre at 6689

Goodmere Rd. We absolutely do not approve of the plan. When the beauty parlour was suggested, the owners explained that they were to have a residence there and the salon would be part of the building. Further, we were told that the clients would drive in at one side of the house, park at the back of the residence (waterside) and drive out on the other side (East side) . That wasn't done nor has it been used as a residence.

Instead, an extended area across the front of the house was put in place creating 4 parking spots. The salon has 10 employees, all have cars, and of course the clients have cars .They park all along Goodmere and anywhere else—regardless of ownership of properties involved. Making Goodmere through to Brownsey Way will only add to the problem. When there's a service or function at Trinity Church, Murray Rd., folks park on both sides of Murray. The two way traffic at times is very difficult. Hit & run accidents aren't uncommon. One can clearly understand, the plan for a garden centre , given the additional traffic it would bring ,is not feasible. Very poor idea to say the least. As for us, we have difficulty now getting out of our drive. The addition of another business—no thanks!!!

A very concerned, long term resident of Sooke,

Phyllis Phillips

Margaret Critchlow

Sooke, BC

22 April 2016

Danica Rice
Planning Department
District of Sooke
2205 Otter Point Rd
Sooke, BC V9Z 1J2

Ref. Application for a Development Variance Permit, 6689 Goodmere Rd

Dear Ms Rice,

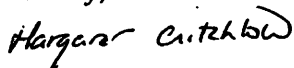
As a neighbour in the vicinity of 6689 Goodmere Rd., I wish my support for this application to be recorded and shared with Council on April 25th. I only moved in January 22 and did not receive notification of this request for a variance although I can see the property in question from my front door and it is only one block away.

Pure Elements Hair Design and Bodyworks is a small woman-owned business that provides jobs as well as products and services for local people. It was the first business to begin to realize the Official Community Plan vision for this area, introducing a retail node adjacent to the downtown core.

Now Pure Elements wants to add Artisans Garden, an educational green house and garden centre emphasizing environmental values that include growing plants, selling art made from re-purposed items, and demonstrating rainwater catchment as mandated by the OCP. This will be the only garden centre in Sooke except for Home Hardware, and it will serve a slightly different niche market. I believe that the proposed additions enrich our neighbourhood, encouraging more pedestrians to visit, including the 31 households at Harbourside Cohousing, of which I am one. For those coming by car, two new parking spots are planned.

I support the requested variances to setbacks as they are only to accommodate a small greenhouse and a pedestrian walkway/deck. This will continue to be a quiet business and should add beauty as well as retail amenities and jobs to the neighbourhood.

Sincerely,



Margaret Critchlow

April 25/16.

To: Sooke District Council

I am writing this letter in support of Gwen Fisher of Pure Elements and her proposal to open a garden/gift shop at her Pure Elements location, 6689 Goodmere Road, Sooke, BC.

I believe Gwen has already proven herself a great business owner, having had Pure Elements operating in Sooke for the past ten years. She is very conscientious about providing services that take into account the environment and since Sooke has lost a few garden shops in the last few years, I think her decision to address a local need in this area shows great foresight.

I have personally known Gwen for almost 20 years and find her to be one of the most caring and personable people I know. She has a passion for the growth of business in Sooke, for providing services to its residents and is committed to the health of the community and the people who live here.

Sincerely,

Heather Cormier

[REDACTED]

Sooke, BC

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Sarah Temple

From: Danica Rice
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2016 3:43 PM
To: Sarah Temple; Amanda Irving
Subject: FW: Town meeting April 25th

Goodmere Road

-----Original Message-----

From: Mackenzie Fisher [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2016 3:40 PM
To: Danica Rice
Subject: Town meeting April 25th

Hi there,

I'm emailing to show my support for Gwen Fisher and her upcoming business venture, Artisans Garden! Given her history with small businesses in Sooke and I only imagine it would be an asset to this community. A garden centre is much needed, our community is bright and beautiful and this would be a positive addition to our little town!

Thank you so much,
Mackenzie