

To: President of Birch Island Landowners Association - Brett Cavanagh

Dear Brett,

This email is to advise you, as President of the Association, that on October 10, 2017, Council reviewed the ongoing illegal dumping and littering issues at the Glover's Road Boat Launch, that have been a concern for several years. Due to the isolated location of the Glover's Rd Boat Launch, dumping begins as early as Friday afternoon and continues through the weekend. Even placing cameras at the location didn't deter people. Staff recommended that action must be taken to resolve this ongoing problem.

Following a review, Council has made a decision to change the location of depot collection for island residents from Glover's Rd Boat Launch to Battams Rd Boat Launch (at the end of Battams Rd) on Sand Lake. This new location will be in effect for 2018. Although this will be a greater distance for Birch Island residents to travel, we are hoping that it will eliminate the littering that is taking place at Glover's, as Battams Rd is more populated. This service location will be reviewed again in late 2018.

Also, I would like to advise your Association that the Sunday collection service in 2018 will operate from Victoria Day weekend to the third weekend in September. This will shorten the season by 3 weeks. Council's decision to end the service earlier in the season is based on Staff's recommendation, due to the lack of use from mid-September to Thanksgiving at all locations and the costs associated with this unused service.

I would be pleased to attend an Association meeting next year to answer any questions residents may have. Feel free to share my email address with all island residents, should they have any questions or concerns.

Regards,

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