Sechelt, BC – May 14, 2018 — May 20 to 26 is Local Government Awareness Week in British Columbia. In honour of this week the Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) is hosting an open house and the public is invited to attend and meet SCRD directors and staff.

“Local governments play a key role in providing citizens, businesses and communities with essential services they need to prosper and thrive,” says Bruce Milne, SCRD Chair. “Local Government Awareness Week helps the community to ‘get to know’ the SCRD, and to learn more about the many programs and services that we provide”.

The goal of this week is to generate awareness and educate the public about the roles and responsibilities of local government, and encourage the public to participate in local government processes. Local Government Awareness Week provides an opportunity to showcase programs and services that are vital to the daily life of every person on the Sunshine Coast. The open house will include information showcasing the SCRD’s many services and programs.

“The open house is a great opportunity for residents to ask questions in an open environment, and learn about some of the services we provide such as, drinking water, waste management, bikeways, emergency planning, land-use planning, fire protection, recreation and parks,” says Janette Loveys, SCRD Chief Administrative Officer.

The Open House will be held on Thursday, May 24 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the SCRD Administration building, 1975 Field Road, Sechelt. The public is also invited to attend the Board meeting taking place the same day at 1:30 p.m.

“There are many ways to be involved in our community, from attending public events such as this, to volunteering with local organizations, providing feedback on plans and projects to attending Board meetings,” says Milne.

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