



# Esquimalt Nation Vision & Comprehensive Community Plan

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## Getting Started

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Chief Thomas and Council are pleased to announce the start of a Vision and Comprehensive Community Plan process. This process will be an opportunity for the community to embrace our challenges in the context of change and planning for a better community.

*“Comprehensive community planning is a holistic process that enables a community to build a roadmap to sustainability, self-sufficiency and improved governance capacity” CCP Handbook - INAC publication*

## The Process

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*“Giving the people their  
voice”*

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The process for developing the Plan will involve all members of our community including Chief and Council, staff, our youth and the wider community of on and off reserve members.

The Plan will be developed in four phases;

Phase One Getting Up and Running (Sep/ Oct 2009)

Phase Two Building a Strong Foundation (October 2009)

Phase Three Identifying the Issues (November/December 2009)

Phase Four Drafting the Plan (January to March 2010)

## The Process

### What's been done so far.

1. Funding secured through BC Capacity Initiative 2009/2010
2. Invitation to form Advisory Committee
3. Community Planning Consultant Retained
4. Participation in INAC Comprehensive Community Plan Workshop confirmed

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### What's Next?

Small group meetings are being planned for October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of these meetings is to gain input on the process for developing the Plan, the schedule and how best to continue and expand consultation with the community.

In addition to this, the first of a series of Newsletters, which will come out monthly, we hope to develop a web-site and post notices, comments and suggestions at the office.

- How to Get Involved?
- Contact Michael J. McCarthy
- Get on the email list
- Help with the development of the web-site
- Participate in the meetings