

RESTORATIVE RESOLUTIONS PARTICIPATION

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POLICY

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Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to generally identify circumstances under which the Municipality or its employees would voluntarily participate in Restorative Resolutions to:

- resolve legal issues with people who accept responsibility for crimes they commit against the District
- resolve bylaw enforcement issues
- provide an opportunity for dispute resolution to members of the community
- resolve interpersonal relationships amongst staff members

It is understood that participation in the restorative resolutions process on a case-by-case basis nullifies any further action by the involved parties, whether the process is successful in resolving the issue or not.

Process

Criminal Activity

A decision for the Municipality to avail itself of the Restorative Resolutions process in relation to criminal activity will be made by the Chief Administrative Officer or the Director of Corporate Administration, in consultation with any affected department head and the police, and the Restorative Resolutions Coordinator.

Bylaw Enforcement

A decision for the Municipality to avail itself of the Restorative Resolutions process in relation to bylaw enforcement issues will be made by the Manager of Inspection Services, in consultation with the Municipality's bylaw enforcement personnel and any affected resident(s) and the Restorative Resolutions Coordinator.

Dispute Resolution

A decision for the Municipality to offer or recommend the Restorative Resolutions process in relation to dispute resolution to members of the community will be made by the Chief Administrative Officer or the Director of Corporate Administration in consultation with the Manager of Inspection Services and the Restorative Resolutions Coordinator, and as necessary, the police.

Engagement With Restorative Resolutions Facilitators

When the Municipality determines to engage in the Restorative Resolutions Process, an application will be made to the Restorative Resolutions Program Coordinator. The Coordinator will review the circumstances and advise the Municipality if the circumstances are appropriate to the Restorative Resolutions program and, if so, will make the necessary arrangements to proceed.