

# ELECT DEREK MASSELINK



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## THE REASON I'M RUNNING

I have skills and experience necessary to make a productive contribution as a Trustee on issues that will shape and influence the future well-being of our island.



I own a land use consulting business and I live, farm and work with my wife Michelle, our two daughters, Everest and Quinn and my parents Jake and Joyce Masselink in Hope Bay. For the past five years we have lived here full-time and have become deeply attached to this community.

My interest in becoming a Trustee is to lend my knowledge and experience in ecological design, and community and land use planning, and to bring us together in ways that ensure the long-term health and viability of our island community.

It is my desire to carry on in the creative spirit of the dedicated and visionary individuals and groups who are responsible for the legacy of assets we currently benefit from - our Community Hall, Medical Clinic, parks, golf course, disc park, school, fire halls, places of worship, shopping centre, Recycling Centre and numerous service organizations.

To this end I am running a campaign that is focused on my abilities and vision - not mired in partisan politics and past disagreements.

## My Vision for Our Island



My vision for North Pender is a safe, healthy, diverse and vibrant community where my daughters and your sons and daughters, and their children are able to lead healthy, productive lives.

I believe this vision is captured in the language and intent of our recently adopted Official Community Plan (OCP), which acknowledges that our island's success depends on its success as a place - the health and well-being of its people, natural setting and surroundings, its neighbourhoods, its soils, forests, plants and animals, water and air.

This vision, described in our OCP's goals, principles and policies, recognizes that the two economies, the natural and the human, are absolutely interconnected, and in each is the other's hope of a durable and livable life.

A link to our OCP is provided on my website. I urge you to review our OCP to develop a full appreciation of this important and defining community document which our community worked so hard to achieve.

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## MY COMMITMENT

### If elected I will:

- Support the the Islands Trust's mandate.
- Act with integrity.
- Listen to you. I believe in dialogue. If we disagree, I will hope we can reach accord, and I will always value your opinions.
- Fully support and implement our OCP.
- Approach each and every decision with the following questions:

*Is this in the long-term interest of our community?*

*Does this support the object and mandate of the Trust?*

*Will it ensure our Island's future as a community and public legacy for our children and grandchildren?*

## ENDORSEMENTS

*Derek Masselink is the kind of positive, collaborative, visionary type of young thinker that we need in every village and town hall in this country. Pender could be leading the way in Canada on how local communities transition to local food, energy and economies with someone like Derek providing the ideas and the leadership.*

**Briony Penn, Federal Liberal Party Candidate,  
Saanich-Gulf Islands**

*Derek is a bright young family man with unsurpassed integrity who represents our hope for the future of our wonderful island, which has been my home for almost four decades.*

**Helen Allison**

*Derek's wide experience in rural community development, and his active involvement in the planning of a sustainable future for Pender Island, makes him an ideal candidate for the position of Island Trustee.*

**Clare Mathias**

To see the full list of individuals that endorse Derek please visit [www.masselink.ca](http://www.masselink.ca).

## HERE IS WHERE I STAND

- I support the vision embodied in our OCP.
- I do not support the legalization of Short-Term Vacation Rentals.
- I favour full implementation of the Environmental Development Permit Areas as the only practical mechanism available to protect our threatened ecosystems on private property, while recognizing that they do not prevent development and do allow for significant exemptions.
- I will work to improve our understanding and participation in local land use decision-making.
- I will work to protect our precious drinking water and our farmland.
- I will encourage local food production and food security.
- I support affordable housing and alternative transportation choices.

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**TO READ MORE ABOUT  
DEREK MASSELINK**

**& WHAT HE STANDS FOR**

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**WE ELECT 2 TRUSTEES**

**ADVANCE POLLS NOV. 12**

**ELECTION DAY NOV. 15**

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