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FOLEY CASE ON GABRIOLA STILL BEFORE COURTS

VICTORIA — The Islands Trust has now received preliminary Reasons for Judgement in the case of the Gabriola Island Local Trust Committee vs. Foley. The case stems from a decision by the Gabriola Island Local Trust Committee last year to initiate legal proceedings to enforce its land use bylaw against Debra and Dan Foley who conduct business as “Summer Rain”.

Despite earlier reports in the Gabriola community, the Court’s judgement is not yet final and it has decided to revisit its Reasons for Judgement later this month.

“Our legal counsel are reviewing this matter and have advised us to withhold comment as this is still before the courts,” said Sheila Malcolmson, Local Trustee for Gabriola Island. “We will provide information to our community on the topic as soon as we are able to,” added Gisele Rudischer, also a Local Trustee for Gabriola Island.

The Islands Trust Council is a federation of independent local governments that represents some 25,000 people living within the Islands Trust Area. The Islands Trust is responsible for managing development while preserving and protecting the unique environment of the Islands Trust Area. The area covers the islands and waters between the British Columbia mainland and southern Vancouver Island. It includes 13 major islands and more than 450 smaller islands covering 5200 square kilometres.

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