

# How do I have a voice in RDOS decisions?

In addition to the Area “D” electoral area Director, residents can participate in decision-making by being appointed to an Area “D” Commission or proposing services to meet their own local needs.

## Area “D” Advisory Planning Commission

- Independent body of 11 voting members
- Appointed by RDOS Board
- Members hold 4-year term (applications solicited at term end)
- Provides advice to the Board on land use matters like development applications
- All meetings are open to the public

## Recreation Commissions

- Kaleden Recreation Commission has 8 voting members
- Okanagan Falls Recreation Commission has 9 voting members
- Appointed by RDOS Board
- Members hold a 2-year term (applications solicited at term end)
- Provide advice to RDOS Board and staff regarding parks and recreation
- All meetings are open to the public
- Oversee an operating budget (determined by RDOS Board)



## Want a new service? Propose one!

- Have an idea for a service not provided in your community?
  1. Talk to RDOS staff to see if it is possible
  2. Talk to neighbours and determine support for the service idea
  3. Discuss process for assessing feasibility
    - including scope, cost and delivery options
  4. A service bylaw must receive support from the Regional District Board and the residents that will participate in and pay for the service

## What other opportunities are there to be involved?

- Attend Board and/or Commission meetings
- Attend public meetings and public hearings
- Submit letters or speak to RDOS staff
- Talk to your Area “D” Director

