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Finance Committee Announces Budget 2026 Consultation Details

VICTORIA – The Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services has announced details for its consultation on the next provincial budget. The Committee is comprised of both government and opposition MLAs and is tasked by the Legislative Assembly to undertake an annual public consultation on the next provincial budget, and to make recommendations based on those consultations.

The Committee will be holding several public meetings to hear from British Columbians about their priorities for Budget 2026. The meetings are anticipated to take place in June and will be a mix of in-person and virtual meetings. The Committee expects to hold in-person meetings in the following communities:

- Victoria
- Surrey
- Vancouver
- Courtenay
- Terrace
- Quesnel

- Fort St. John
- Vernon
- Penticton
- Nelson
- Cranbrook

British Columbians are asked to indicate their interest in speaking with the Committee by **Friday, April 11 at 2:00 p.m. (Pacific)** by completing a request form on the <u>Parliamentary Committees Consultation Portal.</u>

The opportunity to provide written input to the Committee will also be available beginning in June.

For more information on the consultation, visit <u>bcleg.ca/consultations</u> or contact the Parliamentary Committees Office by email at FinanceCommittee@leg.bc.ca or by phone at 250-356-2933 or 1-877-428- 8337 (toll-free in BC).

The Members of the Committee are:

Paul Choi, MLA, Burnaby South-Metrotown (Chair); Elenore Sturko, MLA, Surrey-Cloverdale (Deputy Chair); Jennifer Blatherwick, MLA, Coquitlam-Maillardville; Sunita Dhir, MLA, Vancouver-Langara; Claire Rattée, MLA, Skeena; Harwinder Sandhu, MLA, Vernon-Lumby; Bryan Tepper, MLA, Surrey-Panorama.

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