

**Richmond VisitAbility Task Force**  
**2 - 4 p.m., March 26 Meeting**  
**Executive Airport Plaza Hotel & Conference Centre**

**MEETING NOTES**

1. Agreed meeting format – bimonthly, lunch meeting, with educational component, e.g. watering entering issue in Richmond, designation of project design.
2. Deliverables
  - Need to share and build some technical knowledge regarding “visitability” in relation to building code
  - Establish a website for resource sharing
  - Pamphlets to distribute to realtors
  - Look at website: [concretechange.org](http://concretechange.org)
3. Participant Recruitment – WorkSafe, Perry Hoogveld (Ella to follow up), Greater Vancouver Home Builder's Association (Jamee Justason to follow up)
4. Discussion Points:
  - Currently there is no designation for “Visitable Housing” in the real estate market.
  - There is a “Walkability Score”, wonder if “Visitability Score” or “Adaptability Score” is feasible.
  - City of Richmond has an Affordable Housing Directory, accessible or visitable designation can be included.
  - It is agreed that social accessibility, including community linkages, is needed.
  - Aging in Place -- Adaptation for Family -- Affordability issues
  - Visitability features can benefit people with any types of disabilities when it comes to safety issues, prevention of slip and fall, etc.
  - Almost all multi-dwelling homes are accessible, with exception of Town House, they have features such as covered parking and zero grade entrance; hallway width may be an issue.
  - More info on cost (affordability) will be useful.

Participants:

Aileen McCormack (RSAC), De Whalen (RPRC), Dena Kae (City of Richmond), Ella Huang (RCD), France Clark (RCD), Jamee Justason (REBGV), John Hopkins (City of Richmond), Kathy Butler (RCD), Melanie Arnis (RSCL & CLBC Community Council), Rich Green (RCD), Sara Ho (CLBC Community Council), Sean Davies (City of Richmond), Sunil Mathure (RHC/VCH Richmond Family Committee on Mental Health), Tom Parker (RCD), Viet Vu (RCD).