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Dear NSN Editor: August 13/02

On July 8, I asked North Van District Council to hold a public inquiry regarding the new Dollarton road re-alignment in Seymour. Not only have they failed to address my request, I haven't even had the courtesy of an acknowledgement.

My inquiry concerned the lack of due-diligence by the District. Road construction commenced before the proper land assembly was complete. Instead of collecting interest in the bank, taxpayer money was tied up for over two years in two kilometres of useless asphalt, while the District waited for resolution to the 'missing link' of the Dollarton re-alignment by third parties.

The lost interest, staff resources, legal fees and building the road in fits & starts, will cost taxpayers almost an **extra \$500,000**.

Quite frankly I'm not surprised at Council's behaviour. They preach ethics & accountability but don't know the meaning. When irregularities arose concerning the Mayor's expense account, Council allowed him to chair a sub-committee to investigate his own misdemeanours! I believe most would regard such action as a conflict of interest.

I have no use for arrogant politicians who no longer feel accountable to the people. It's clear a major change is warranted in November's Municipal election.

Yours truly, Dave Sadler

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