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Hi Clerk's Office team,

Could you please forward the following to the Environment Committee for their attention and review.

Thank you,

Gillian

White Rock, BC

Dear Environment Committee,

I would like to highlight the issue of the continued use of 'Round Up' and other pesticides/herbicides in community and would appreciate your help. As background, every spring, my neighbour uses a weed trimmer and then soaks his back yard in 'Round-Up' so that he doesn't need to mow again for the year. It's so bad that we can smell it for days after treatment. I was sharing this story with a friend who told me that pesticides (and herbicides) are not actually allowed in White Rock. As usual, he was correct when I found and reviewed the bylaw :0). I have attached it for your reference.

I don't use them, but I'm thinking that I can't be the only one who didn't know that use of herbicides/pesticides isn't permitted in White Rock. I think it would be useful for the committee to promote to council a reminder style communication/education program about the bylaw, including minimum fines clearly noted in the bylaw. A couple of communication opportunities might be including a note on it in the utility bill flyer that has watering rules on it, as well as posting it more prominently on the city website (perhaps along with watering rules).

Thanks for your help,

Gillian

White Rock BC