



Clean-up at old Co-op Property Temporary Encampment

City Bylaw and Community Agencies Partner to Clean-up Site

On January 11, 2023, City Bylaw worked with partner agencies to complete a clean-up at the site of the temporary encampment at the old Co-op property to address safety concerns. This effort included collaboration with outreach staff from other organizations to best ensure that any personal belongings could be retrieved and/or retained and returned for persons who resided at the temporary encampment and to encourage repurposing of items that could be collected, cleaned, and redistributed.

The temporary encampment had been vacant for three weeks, and the stretch of warmer weather allowed access and the ability to remove previously frozen items. Considering these factors, City staff and partner agencies felt the timing was appropriate to undertake a clean-up.

The City does not believe that encampments are solutions to homelessness, and the City of Terrace will continue to work with our local, provincial and federal partners to find safe and appropriate options to house and care for all of our citizens. City of Terrace Bylaw and the Social Development Coordinator will continue to work closely with partners to support the safety and security of our community members and to address unsheltered homelessness on a case-by-case basis.

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