

C. Saanich election charges go to Crown

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RCMP have recommended 19 charges against individuals and organizations for infractions arising out of complaints about last fall's municipal election in Central Saanich.

Cpl. Darren Lagan, communications officer for the Island District RCMP, said it's now up to the provincial Crown whether charges will be laid.

Lagan said the Crown typically takes about three to four weeks before a decision is made.

Lagan said he could not identify the individuals who have been singled out. The charges were based on allegations of technical infractions related to campaign spending and accounting in the November election.

Lagan emphasized the charges are not criminal. They are for violations of provincial statutes, such as the Local Government Act.

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