

NORTH SHORE STANDING COMMITTEE ON SUBSTANCE USE

MISSION STATEMENT

The North Shore Standing Committee on Substance Use will support community organizations to reduce the impact and incidence of substance abuse on the North Shore through advocacy, collaboration and leadership.

AGENDA

Wednesday, October 1, 2025 5:00 – 7:00 pm

In Person – District Hall, 355 West Queens

Members:

Cllr James Hanson, Councillor, DNV
Cllr Don Bell, Councillor, CNV
Cllr Christine Cassidy, Councillor, DWV
Cllr Alison Morse, Councillor, Bowen Island
Cllr Jaime Cunliffe, Lions Bay
Chief Jen Thomas, Tsleil-Waututh Nation
Khelsilem, Council Chairperson, Squamish Nation
Sgt. Chris Bigland, West Vancouver Police Department
Kulvir Mann, School Trustee, NV School District
Dave Stevenson, School Trustee, WV School District
Dr. Ceinwen Pope, Vancouver Coastal Health

Guests: Dr. Michelle Brousson

Staff:

Eirikka Brandson, DNV Staff Liaison
Alison Gelz, DWV Staff Liaison
Heather Evans, CNV Staff Liaison
Mary Jukich, Committee Clerk

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| 1. | Welcome & Introductions | 5:00 |
| 2. | Adoption of Agenda (<i>Decision</i>) | 5:05 |
| 3. | Adoption of July 9, 2025 Minutes (<i>Decision</i>) | 5:10 |
| 4. | Squamish Nation Harm Reduction and Overdose Response Team –
Presentation, followed by a tour of the new Mobile Van – Juhi Tayal, Team
Lead | 5:15 |
| 5. | Update on the Purple Chair Campaign – Josie Kanu, Coordinator, North Shore
Homeless Task Force and the Poverty Reduction Partnership | 5:45 |
| 6. | Medical Health Officer Update | 6:15 |
| 7. | Minister of Education & Child Care Resource: Language Matters - An introductory Guide
for Understanding Mental Health and Substance Use: A Resource for Families – Kulvir
Mann | 6:45 |
| 8. | Discussion Topics for Next Meeting | 6:55 |
| 9. | Next Meeting Date | 6:58 |
| 10. | Adjournment | 7:00 |