

# AVICC Open Space Report Out Form

Saturday April 14, 2018

**Session Title:** If you had \$100,000 what would you do about the Opioid Crisis?

Convener: Maggie Hathaway      mhathaway@powellriver.ca

Participants: Shirley Ackland  
Kirsten Johnsen  
Tom Duncan

## **Summary of Discussion:**

Improve communication VIHA with Health Authority

Safe Injection site

Outreach to schools

Work to eliminate 2 month wait for treatment

Supported recovery through transitional facilities

(up to 2 years) Increase of success 60%

Bring in supportive services

- Employment
- Living skills

## **What will we do now? What needs to happen?**

Develop a supportive recovery plan that includes selling beds to local industries

Provides sustainability

Ensure affordability housing available to transition to over 60 – Health Care + RCMP

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**Session Title:** Council Remuneration

Convener: Karen Skadsheim

Participants: Jon Lefebure  
Dianne St. Jacques  
Diane Mason  
Maeve Maguire  
John MacDonald  
Megan Brame

## **Summary of Discussion:**

- job has increased, changed dramatically since email & social media
- it's not 'about the money' but councillors still have bills to pay
- different jurisdictions have different 'extras' like medical, or phone allowance, or childcare
- some areas have meeting allowances too

## **What will we do now? What needs to happen?**

### Recommendations

- ask Province to set rates
- review every term, in the third year
- consider bringing a HR person to review
  - o committee (choose from various community sectors)
- UBCM work with post-secondary institutions (or LGLA) to create a diploma or Master's Applied Political Science for elected officials

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**Session Title:** How to fast track Affordable Housing

Convener: Sheryl Armstrong

Participants:

Meagan Brame

Bruce Lloyd

Darnelda Siegers

## **Summary of Discussion:**

Density bonus – some must be affordable. We will fast track the process if developer agrees. (Strata fees could be a deterrent).

Could take cash in lieu to put into other affordable housing programs.

- Could do building 50% owner 50% rental, subsidized rental.  
So would require two stratas

Refurbishing malls going out of business  
fast track for residential

## **What will we do now? What needs to happen?**

Bylaw by Council –

Need to help the working poor – so some must be for those that are working - not just for those who are drug or mental health addicted

Do that through by-law as well.

Public Hearing – let citizens decide if in favour.

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**Session Title:** What do you want/need to boost economic development for your community?

Convener: Susan Low

Participants:

Susan Low (Esquimalt)  
Penny Cote (Alberni-Clayoquot)  
Sheryl Armstrong (Nanaimo)

## Summary of Discussion:

Basic conditions for EC DEV:

- Transportation –
  - being able to move around to meet your needs
  - not being isolated
  - being able to bring people into your community
  - have modes of transportation that appeal to the people who will be your work force
  
- Tourism destination marketing
  - strategy planning → follow through on plans which sit on shelves
  - short-term residential use can benefit communities that have no hotels
  - identify your assets and enable people to invest in opportunities to create businesses
  - council needs to prioritize its projects so you don't overburden/burden staff.
  - look @ seniors retirement housing in rural areas
  - do more public engagement on economic development topics: find the voice of the community on how they want their community to evolve
  - use of incentive tax programs?