

COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE UPDATE TO AUGUST 30, 2023 (8:30 a.m.)

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Correspondence from Other Governments and Government Agencies

No items.

Responses to Correspondence

No items.

From: s. 22(1)
Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2023 4:26 PM
To: correspondence
Cc: s. 22(1)
Subject: Dundarave update: August 23

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Hi Mayor Sager and Council,

We are so impressed with the new events and life you are bringing in to West Van.

Taking a page from Kelowna and Calgary! 😊

Resort style living like we find in Hawaii, Mexico, Palm Springs and Arizona would take it to the next level.

Warmly,

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West Van

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From: District of West Vancouver <communications@westvancouver.ca>
Date: August 23, 2023 at 2:27:41 PM MDT
To: s. 22(1)
Subject: Dundarave update: August 23

Dundarave update: August 23

Dundarave Hoedown, Friday, August 25

On Friday, August 25, the Ambleside & Dundarave Business Improvement Association will be hosting the Dundarave Hoedown, between 4 and 9 p.m. The event will include live music, a beer garden, pony rides, face painting, and more.

This event will require a full road closure on Marine Drive, between 24th Street and 25th Street, from 1 p.m. until 11 p.m. Please be aware that all traffic and buses will be detoured during this time. Bus stops on Marine Drive between 24th Street and 25th Street will be temporarily moved to Haywood Avenue, one block north.

Traffic and pedestrian impacts

- There will be a full road closure on Marine Drive, between 24th Street and 25th Street, from 1 to 11 p.m.
- Eastbound vehicle traffic will be detoured via 25th Street to Haywood Avenue.
- Westbound vehicle traffic will be detoured via 24th Street to Haywood Avenue.
- The eastbound bus stop on Marine Drive at the southeast corner of 25th Street will be temporarily relocated to the southwest corner of 25th Street on Marine Drive, and the bus stop for the eastbound 252 Park Royal shuttle service will be temporarily located on Haywood Avenue at 24th Street, from 1 to 11 p.m.
- There will be temporary no parking on both the north and south sides of Marine Drive between 24th Street and 25th Street, from 1 to 11 p.m.
- Event signage and traffic control personnel will be on-site to assist with traffic and pedestrian flow and safety.
- Business and pedestrian access will remain.

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August 23, 2023

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To All Concerned –

I have just finished reading an article in the NorthShore News making the reader aware of a 20 year-old, new driver, being clocked at 220Km/hr on the Cypress Bowl Road. From previous articles & hearing West Vancouver residents talk, I realize that this is not an isolated incident. Which brings me to a point I wish to make with all of you – Cypress Bowl is not the only place where people drive in an unsafe manner.

s.22(1) Stevens Drive s.22(1) I find that the volume of traffic has increased &, along with that, the speed with which that traffic flows has increased. The posted speed limit is 50 Km/hr. The majority of people travel well above that speed limit & many at an excessive speed. And, why wouldn't they? From Taylor Way, Stevens Drive is just over 3Km long & there is no traffic calming in place other than the token speed bumps on Hadden Drive. Along the way there are curves which limit visibility, there are driveways – hidden & otherwise, there is a bike lane which often has cars parked in it necessitating cyclist to ride into the driving lane AND s.22(1) a sidewalk which is immediately adjacent to the roadway with no barriers to protect mothers with children, elderly individuals who are out walking or those of us who walk our dogs along that path. There are delivery trucks, construction vehicles & gardeners who park their vehicles in such a way that lanes are partially blocked & traffic must then move into the opposite driving lane to skirt around them.

I generally travel along Stevens at 60KM/hr – 10Km/hr over the posted limit. Every single day I have people within a few feet of my rear bumper trying to get me to go faster. People travel a minimum of 70 – 80Km/hr which is well in excess of the speed limit. I do not need to guess at their speed as there used to be a sign at Stevens & Rabbit Lane by Capilano Golf course &, when it was working, it would record the speeds. s.22(1) indicated that there are times when they are afraid to stop for a delivery as the car behind them is so close, they fear they're going to be rear-ended. I have seen drivers pass other cars which they felt were moving too slowly. This they do on a solid yellow line & a curve giving them limited visibility. This morning there was a large construction truck going down Stevens at

50Km/hr. I was directly behind this vehicle & behind me there were four other cars. The woman directly behind me was very impatient & kept weaving across the solid yellow line in an effort pass the truck – which she was not able to do because of oncoming traffic. The danger of that maneuver is ridiculous. It was unnecessary & put everyone of us in danger. [REDACTED] s.22(1) cars coming down Stevens from the direction of Bonnymuir & their engines are revving at such a rate that there is no question they are speeding. There is a young fellow [REDACTED] s.22(1) [REDACTED], going well above the speed limit. [REDACTED] s.22(1) comment at the rate which traffic travels. [REDACTED] s.22(1) where you can easily see the road, & they have commented at how fast the cars go past. I have previously written letters & absolutely nothing has changed.

In a very short time, Collingwood School will reconvene & the volume of traffic will increase even further. We will then have non-stop traffic twice a day, every week day (morning & afternoon), all speeding, all anxious because someone is late – whether it be the student or the adult driving. Crossing the street at the Southborough, Stevens, Bonnymuir corner becomes a sport. The cars coming up Stevens are speeding, come around the corner at Deep Dene (limited view of what's ahead) &, should you happen to be in the “crosswalk”, God help you because they rarely stop for pedestrians. The cars coming down Bonnymuir feel that the stop sign facing them is simply a suggestion & they are not required to stop. Previously I had asked that a proper light be installed at this crosswalk such as the ones which Capilano was successful in securing & what we got was a post marked “pedestrian”. I have been told that in order for traffic calming or a proper crossing light can be installed, I must first canvass my neighbors. I suggest that the District, whether it be council or police, take my complaint seriously & investigate it themselves.

I note that there is traffic calming in abundance throughout West Vancouver, below the highway. There are even speed bumps in the alley on Duchess Street between 18th & 19th Streets. However, there are none on an open road 3Km long with no controls. People do not govern themselves; they need to be reminded.

My suggestions are this:

- More police presence, as there used to be, on Stevens Drive including radar
- Traffic calming be installed in some way on Stevens Drive. Should you wish to install speed bumps [REDACTED] s.22(1) I would be amenable to contributing to the cost.
- A proper crossing light be installed at Southborough/Bonnymuir/Stevens. The ridiculous “pedestrian sign” that is there now is being ignored & is useless.

Yours truly,

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
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<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/kelowna-fire-2003-vs-2023-fire-prevention-mitigation-1.6945306>

Warmly,

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

West Van

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From: West Van survey results [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Saturday, August 26, 2023 3:56 PM
To: correspondence
Subject: [BULK] ☉ ... Survey Results: Should West Van have maximum population? =+

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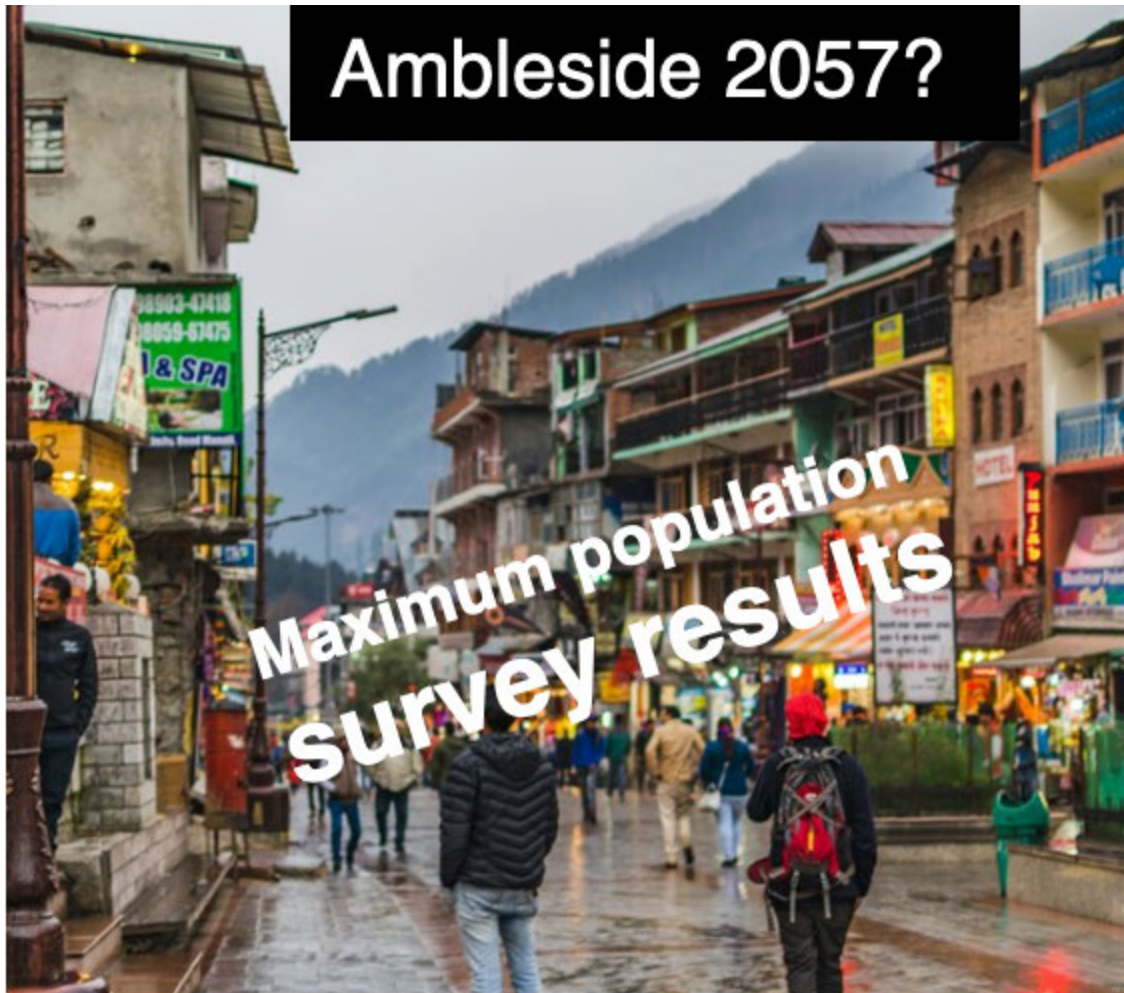
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Ambleside 2057?



**Maximum population
survey results**

West Van population 85,000?



Build statistics

Built	1976
Overall length (m)	139.0
Maximum displacement (t)	6422.0
Car capacity	280
Passenger & crew capacity	1200
Maximum speed (knots)	22.0
Horsepower	11860

1,200 People
Is max capacity of Queen of Alberni

BC Ferries have a maximum legal passenger capacity.
Should West Van have a maximum legal population?



- 1,293 people
'arrived' at first
survey question
- 291 people
responded to max
population
question

➤ 291 responses to max population question

40% of filtered by “I certify I am WV resident, responded that West Van should NOT limit maximum population”

➤ 291 responses to max population question

37% of filtered by IP address geo location = West Van responded that West Van should NOT limit maximum population

➤ 96 people responded to what should **MAXIMUM** population of WV be?

77% responded max population of WV should be less than 51,000 people

➤ You are urged to
Learn more and read
the comments entered
by WV certified
residents at the below
link.

You will see questions why
Squamish Nation not included.
Answer: DWV Council have
no control over their decisions

3. (required please) What Should the MAXIMUM population of West Vancouver be? (excluding Squamish Nation / Capilano reserve area)? FYI, 2021 West Van population 44,122 people (census) - comments

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There is no advantage; economic, social or environmental adding more people to a limited, forested land.

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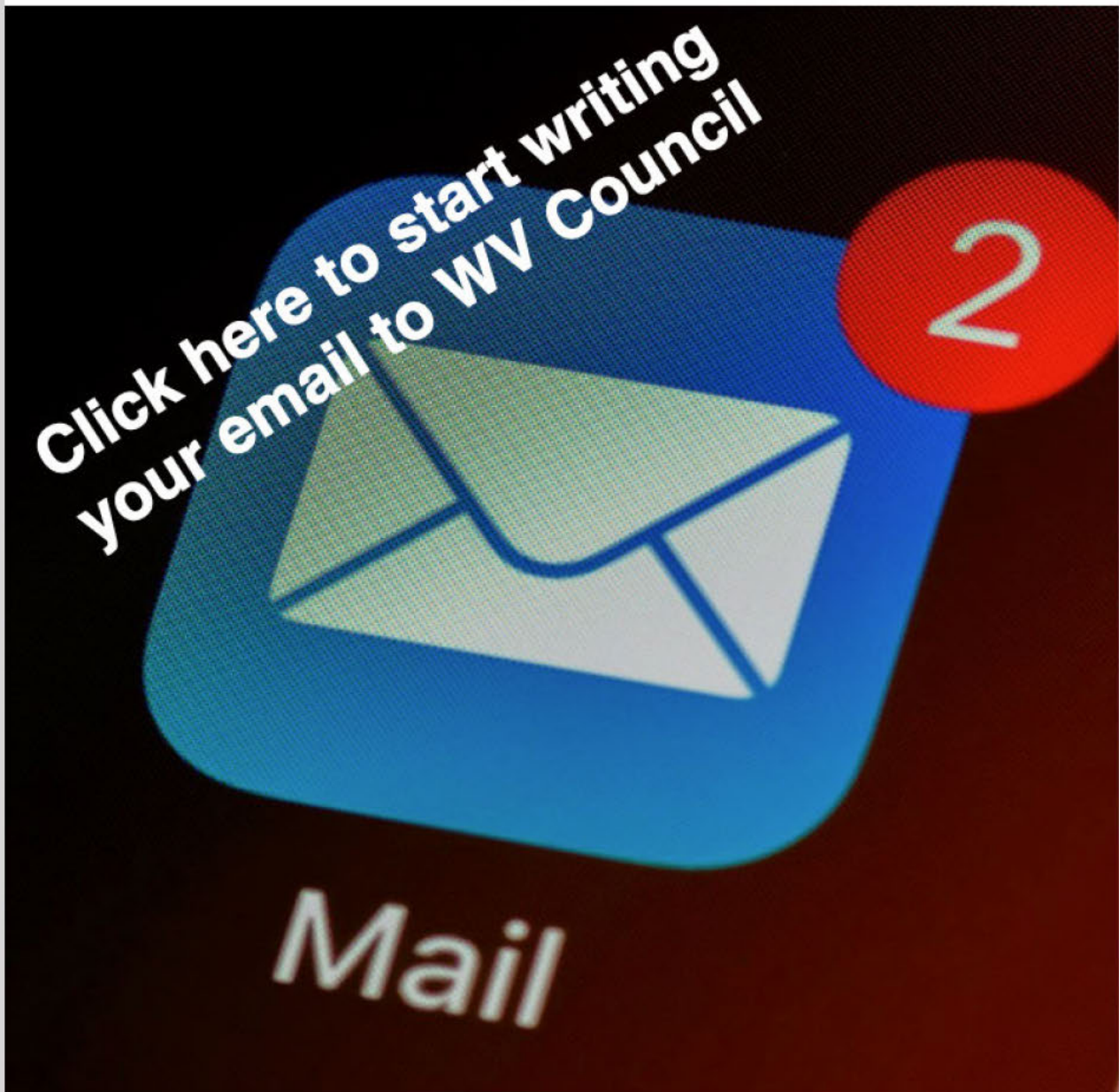
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Subject: s. 22(1) = +

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26 Aug 2023

Dear Mayor Sager and Councillors
District of West Vancouver

s. 22(1)

My name is s. 22(1) and I am a resident of West Vancouver.

We cannot keep adding more and more residents to West Van. Our roads are already way over capacity We residents at certain times of the day cannot even escape the Municipality. We are then stuck between The Upper Levels, Taylor Way and Marine Drive. There is no way to escape for hours sometimes. If we keep on adding, where will it end? The quality of life will continue to erode the more residents we add. Our water supply is also under threat and has been for some years already. We don't have a hospital in West Van, our drop in clinics already don't open on Sundays in Caulfeild Mall and the LGH in North Van is overloaded and stressed out. We already have over 30,000 residents and many more here will make life here untenable. Our parks like Lighthouse is a zoo at weekends already with SO many visitors. Parking has now gone down Water Lane a long way as the park itself cannot cope with the cars. We have to have a cap. We have more than enough already because of the afore mentioned reasons for limitations.

Thank you.

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From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Sunday, August 27, 2023 12:14 PM
To: correspondence
Subject: PRESS RELEASE: "Ukraine War Just One of Many Conflicts Championed By Deep State"

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Author's Note:

This press release is especially calling all politicians and elected officials within Canada and the United States to encourage local state, provincial and federal politicians to work towards ending the war in Ukraine by placing all their/our collective energies and emphasis back where they belong, here at home, in finding ways to better preserve our natural world and significantly moderate both nation's failing climate controls and economies.

A special note to the citizenry of both nations, and indeed to all other citizenry in the world, who possess personal investment portfolios that continue to benefit from the lucrative investments they consciously and intentionally hold in a multitude of the Deep State's war-related industries and corporate entities because of their high yield in war-related enterprises.

PRESS RELEASE

The Australian-based, International Big News Network proudly announces the release of "Ukraine War Just One of Many Conflicts Championed by the Deep State".

The author, [REDACTED] s.22(1), from North Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada provides, in great depth, an overview of the inter-relationships of the reprehensible Deep State's connections with the on-going war in Ukraine and its impact on a multitude of out-of-control world issues (i.e. growing numbers of refugees fleeing from a multitude of conflicts, who continue to flood into every country, throughout Europe, North and South America; the consequent destruction of these host countries own traditions, heritage and stability; the increasing disintegration of once genuine world diplomatic and peace processes in the resolution of critical world issues that now face ever-increasing warmongering being created everywhere in the world by a new breed of Neo-Conservatives (Neo-Con's) and Neo-Nazi politicians and governments, and the collective negative effects these geo-political dynamics continue to have on the disintegration of food production and world instability.

See:

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From: David Marley <domarley52@gmail.com>
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To: correspondence; Mark Sager; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Cc: Scott Findlay; John Lo (WVPD); [REDACTED] s. 22(1) News
NS; Richter Brent; [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Subject: "Currency Exchanges popping up everywhere." - Vancouver Sun - August 26, 2003

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Perhaps you've read Doug Todd's excellent, informative column in yesterday's Sun. If not, I encourage you to do so. It deals with a troubling phenomenon which demands action, the proliferation of unregulated currency exchanges or money services businesses ("MSBs") in "concentrated pockets" throughout Metro Vancouver, including here in our bedroom community in which, as of last month by my count, we have eight store-front operations in Ambleside and another one in Dundarave.

Todd quotes the Cullen Commission to the effect that "It is widely recognized there are significant money-laundering vulnerabilities associated with MSBs." The Cullen report noted that FINTRAC believes MSBs have a "medium to very high risk" for such things as international money-laundering, underground banking, terrorist financing and avoiding Western sanctions such as those Canada, the United States and other nations have in place against Russia and Iran. According to Todd, FINTRAC's web-site describes how an MSB is "likely engaging in money-laundering if it carries out business largely with or through Iran or other countries subject to sanctions." Perhaps you might care to peruse this web-site.

And we have nine of these outfits operating in plain sight here in West Vancouver, most of which prominently display the Farsi language. Clearly, according to reputable authorities, we face a significant risk of serious illegal activity potentially being conducted in our community. It is, therefore, long past time our local law enforcement put these MSBs under very close surveillance, if they have not already been doing so.

The Cullen Commission recommended that the province regulate MSBs, something that ought to have been done long ago. But in communities such as this one, in which a "concentrated pocket" of MSBs has sprung up in recent years, Mayor and Council also have a duty to take whatever action that is within their power to ensure these businesses are not engaged in illegitimate activities.

I expect to see this subject on Council's agenda shortly after its summer recess concludes.

As to my personal knowledge, there are currently another fourteen of these store-front MSBs operating in North Vancouver, mostly on or adjacent to central Lonsdale, we now have at least some 23 in total here on the North Shore. It seems to me that the NS News ought to be interested in this matter. Their motto, after all, being "If it happens on the North Shore, it's news to us." Perhaps Mr. LaPointe might like to write something about the issue. It would be a change of pace for him.

I hereby request that my name and contact information not be redacted from this e-mail communication.

David Marley

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

West Vancouver, BC

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From: Ruth Simons <ruthsimons@howesoundbri.org>
Sent: Monday, August 28, 2023 1:58 PM
To: District of West Vancouver; correspondence
Subject: For Council
Attachments: HSCF letter, Aug 2023, District of West Vancouver.docx; Signed District of West Vancouver Draft MOU HSCF - signed.pdf

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Hello,
Please include this update from our organization in the next Council agenda package.
Any questions, please let me know.
Thank you,
RUTH SIMONS | Executive Director
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August 28, 2023

To: Mayor Sager & Council, District of West Vancouver

Re: Howe Sound Community Forum & Átl'ka7tsem / Howe Sound Biosphere Region Updates

We hope you have had the chance to rest during the summer break having enjoyed quality time within your community and are back to the new session enthused about progressing initiatives that will bring benefit to the *Átl'ka7tsem / Howe Sound Biosphere Region* (AHSUBR).

As convener of the *Howe Sound Community Forum* (HSCF), we, the *Howe Sound Biosphere Region Initiative Society* (HSBRIS), were pleased to see many elected officials at the [April 2023 forum at the Town of Gibsons](#). This letter is regarding:

- 1. Attendance at the October 13, Howe Sound Community Forum in Whistler**
- 2. Request to host the 2024 Howe Sound Community Forums**
- 3. Update on the Biosphere Region Roundtable**

1. Howe Sound Community Forum in Whistler

Please mark your calendars for the next HSCF, taking place **October 13, 2023**, at the Squamish Lillooet Cultural Centre (SLCC) in Whistler. [See event details here](#). Please RSVP to the calendar invitation.

We are delighted that the forum will take place in the Longhouse at the SLCC. Attendees will have the opportunity to explore the exhibits in the rest of the centre.

At the forum, elected officials will share updates from their communities on actions related to the Howe Sound community. Many thanks to Mayor Crompton and Council at the RMOW for hosting this forum.

To be efficient with transport, we encourage carpooling to Whistler. If need be, please contact howesoundcommunityforum@gmail.com if we can assist with your carpooling options.

2. Hosting the 2024 Howe Sound Community Forum

In 2022 we entered into Memorandum of Understandings with each of the Howe Sound Community Forum member communities. Please refer to the MOU we entered into with the District of West Vancouver (see attached). As agreed in the Principles for Cooperation, member communities rotate hosting the forum.

We are asking if Mayor and Council and the District of West Vancouver will host the next Forum in April 2024, this would require budgeting \$4,500 as explained in our previous correspondence. The MOU explains our role in the organization and the very little burden on staff resources. If you could provide an indication by the October Forum, that would be appreciated.

3. Advancing Biosphere Region Management & Governance

We are advancing on the *Átl'ka7tsem / Howe Sound Biosphere Region* Roundtable recruitment. As the advisory body to HSBRI on the governance of the AHSUBR, it is the intention to have fair representation across sectors, NGOs, civil society and government. [See background here.](#)

For information, consensus at the April 2023 HSCF was to appoint one representative from each of the three regional districts, Metro Vancouver, SCR D and SLRD. We will be seeking the nominations of either a staff member, an elected official or an appointee of the local government from within each of these three regional districts. An updated Terms of Reference has also been agreed by the AHSUBR Roundtable Selection Committee. This does not replace the HSCF. For more information, please [visit our website](#) to learn more or contact us directly.

As the managers responsible for the UNESCO designation, we continue to advance collaborative efforts to develop a cohesive management plan. We took time during 2022 and 2023 to solicit input and feedback from various sectors, organizations, levels of government, the *Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw* and individuals on the values, concerns and goals for the region. The resulting *Nchu'ú7mut/Unity Plan* is nearing completion. We will provide an update at the HSCF.

September 15 marks the second anniversary of the UNESCO designation for *Átl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound*. [Please see our website for current information](#) on our projects and latest news and do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

s. 22(1)

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Memorandum of Understanding

Átl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound Biosphere Region Initiative and the District of West Vancouver Collaborating for a Sustainable Future

- UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
- AHSUBR Átl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound UNESCO Biosphere Region
- HSBRIS Howe Sound Biosphere Region Initiative Society
- AHSCF Átl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound Community Forum
- POC Principles of Cooperation

1) The Átl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound UNESCO Biosphere Region (AHSUBR)

This is the unceded territory of the Sḵwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation People). The In-SHUCK-ch, Katzie, Lílwat, xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), shíshálh (Sechelt), Stó:lō, Səlílwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations, and First Nations within the St'at'imc Chiefs' Council (includes Lillooet Tribal Council Bands), and the Hul'qumi'num Treaty Group have claims in the region.

- a) The AHSUBR boundary follows the partial watershed from the height of land to the bottom of the ocean and includes lands and communities within three regional districts of Metro Vancouver (West Vancouver, Bowen Island, Lions Bay and Area A), Sunshine Coast (Gibsons and Areas E, Elphinstone and F West Howe Sound) and Squamish Lillooet (Furry Creek, Britannia Beach, Squamish and Brackendale).
- b) Átl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound Region is 218,723 hectares, 84% terrestrial and 16% marine. 6% is Rural Regional District and Reserve Lands, 5% of the terrestrial is privately owned or “urban” and 89% of the terrestrial area is under the management and shared stewardship of the Province of BC and First Nations.

2) Howe Sound Biosphere Region Initiative Society (HSBRIS)

Is a B.C. registered non-profit Society and is responsible for the management of the AHSUBR through the Nchu'ú7mut/Unity Plan; and for advancing the objectives of UNESCO Biosphere Regions (biodiversity conservation, sustainable development, reconciliation, model regions for learning, research and monitoring). UNESCO Biosphere Region organizations provide logistic support.

HSBRIS' priorities are to:

- a) Advance Sustainable Development. Key partnerships and adequate supports, data and tools are in place for planning gaps across the region to be filled and the region's sustainability targets are defined and

embedded with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in the planning and decision-making processes.

- b) Advance Biodiversity Conservation. Key partnerships work to further education, monitoring, and research, fill knowledge gaps, and increase stewardship and connection to place.
- c) Advance Reconciliation, Equity & Inclusion. The AHSUBR roundtable and forums for convening in an ethical space are well established to further the relationships, dialogue and understanding in the context of all AHSUBR nations and communities.

HSBRIS provides logistic support through programs aimed at strengthening collaboration for a sustainable future. Programs include communications, convening and facilitating, advising and coordinating projects.

HSBRIS provides support to the Howe Sound Community Forum and other subcommittees of the forum by planning, coordinating and reporting. HSBRIS maintains a trusted role.

3) District of West Vancouver

The District of West Vancouver is a municipality and a member of Metro Vancouver, the governing body of the Greater Vancouver Regional District. The eastern boundary of AHSUBR is the Cypress Creek area in the District of West Vancouver. The portion of West Vancouver within the AHUSBR, stretches along 28 kms of shoreline and up the slopes of Hollyburn Ridge and Cypress Mountain.

The District of West Vancouver's Context Statement:

West Vancouver is shaped by the mountains, forests and coasts that define our sense of place. Our cultural and social assets, recreational opportunities, local businesses, transportation infrastructure, neighbourhoods and town and village centres define our community within this natural setting. Considered together, these features create the quality of life that is cherished and that we look to protect.

4) The Howe Sound Community Forum and the Principles of Cooperation

The purpose is to provide a forum for local governments, Regional Districts and First Nations discussions to maintain and enhance the economic, environmental, cultural and social well-being of the Howe Sound for the benefit of present and future generations. The Principles of Cooperation is a document that all members, local governments, regional districts and First Nations, signed in 2002. The Principles of Cooperation state the need, scope, common vision, shared values and structure of the forums.

5) Relevant Background

The signing of the original Howe Sound Community Forum's Principles for Cooperation took place in 2002. As a signatory to the Principles for Cooperation, the District of West Vancouver has been an active member of the Forum and its committees. The District of West Vancouver hosted several forums, most recently in 2016.

The convening of the Howe Sound Community Forum has been conducted by Ruth Simons since 2014. Ruth Simons is now the Executive Director of the Howe Sound Biosphere Region Initiative Society.

The District of West Vancouver indicated support for the UNESCO Biosphere Region nomination through a resolution by the Council (May, 2017); the letter of support was included in the nomination package. The resolution followed a report to Council from staff dated April 12, 2017. The alignment for West Vancouver was highlighted:

The District of West Vancouver has a history of supporting conservation within and stewardship of Howe Sound and its watersheds:

- 2002 -Signing the Howe Sound Community Forum (Forum) Principles for Cooperation Agreement;
- 2013 -Signing the revised Principles of Cooperation and urging the Provincial and Federal governments to support the development of a Comprehensive Management Plan for Howe Sound;
- 2014 - Committing to Forum participation through 2018 and supporting the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations in preparation of a Cumulative Effects Assessment for Howe Sound (Ministry Assessment); and
- 2016 - Hosting the Forum at which the Future of Howe Sound Society (Society) introduced the initiative to seek nomination as a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve (Biosphere).

The report goes on to say “Nomination is aligned with one of Council's eight priorities, Natural Environment and Climate Action” and supports the importance of Howe Sound to regional sustainability.

6) It is understood:

The District of West Vancouver will support and cooperate with HSBRS as it manages the AHSUBR and the Howe Sound Community forums and sub-committees. In doing so the District of West Vancouver will act as an Ambassador for the UNESCO Biosphere Region by (details in Appendix A):

- Assigning a staff liaison position as the main point of contact with HSBRS.
- Continue as active and engaged participants in the Howe Sound Community Forum.
- Budget for and host a forum on a rotating schedule.
- Support the Principles of Cooperation and the Nchu'ú7mut/Unity Plan through the contribution of information.
- Consider the priority goals and objectives of the Nchu'ú7mut/Unity Plan in policy and planning decisions
- Promote and reference with pride the UNESCO Biosphere Region.
- Offer and facilitate funding resources for HSBRS for educational opportunities and beneficial projects through grants and/or in-kind support.

It is also understood this memorandum of understanding will be reviewed every new Board term and may be amended at any time by mutual agreement.

On behalf of the District of West Vancouver

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Mary-Ann Booth (Oct 30, 2022 12:25 PDT)

Mayor Mary-Ann Booth

Date Signed: October 30, 2022

On behalf of Howe Sound Biosphere Region Initiative Society

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Ruth Simons, President

October 27, 2022

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Mayor and council – West Van

Ambleside and Dundarave are some of the most beautiful urban neighborhoods anywhere. There is a single element that we all suffer which too often intrudes on residents and visitors. We have a noise by law which seems to be ignored more often than observed.

Examples

Monday Aug 21 – High powered gas power washer running for 2 1/2 Hours at least 100 decibels s. 22(1)

Tuesday Aug 22 -23 Full day and a half Gas powered hedge trimmer not as loud as the washer but intermittent, which is almost worse s. 22(1)

Technology has left these gas powered machines unsuitable in urban neighborhoods Large power washers need not be portable. They can run off house power Garden power tool Voltages are available up to 90Volts at reasonable cost and are lighter with little noise and air pollution.

Mr. Mayor you and your council could show true leadership by challenging all Northshore municipalities to ban noisy, polluting tools.

Gardening contractors will tell you this would be expensive and inefficient. they need to look Harder at the current technology.

Let's be first to restore peace and quiet to our otherwise wonderful communities

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