

Healthy Saanich Advisory Committee

Terms of Reference

The purpose of the Healthy Saanich Advisory Committee is to promote effective communication, engagement and collaboration between the Municipality and its citizens and advise Council and recommend policies to support a healthier and more livable community.

Mandate

The Healthy Saanich Advisory Committee will, consistent with the purpose described above, undertake the following:

- Develop and recommend policies to Council and respond to Council requests for advice and information.
- Review and provide feedback on the Strategic Plan.
- Provide a community perspective on promoting personal safety and security, a high quality physical and social environment, an atmosphere of inclusion and engagement, a unique character and quality of life in Saanich neighbourhoods, and sound growth management and community sustainability.
- Foster public awareness, recognition and support for multi-culturalism and special events.
- Facilitate the growth and development of community associations and promote effective communication between the Municipality, neighbourhoods, residents and businesses.

Meetings

The Committee will meet a minimum of four times per year in accordance with its regular schedule of meetings established annually at the first meeting of the year. No meetings are held during the summer and winter breaks (July, August and December). Special meetings may be held at the call of the Chair. The meeting rules and procedures will be in accordance with the Council Procedure Bylaw.

Membership

The Committee will consist of nine (9) members including:

- One member of Council to serve as Chair, appointed by the Mayor;
- One member from the Saanich Community Association Network; and
- Seven community representatives appointed by the Council.

School District Nos. 61 and 63 may each assign a trustee to the Committee as a non-voting liaison.

The Saanich Youth Council may assign a member to the Committee as a non-voting liaison.

Staff Support

The Parks and Recreation Department is the primary contact and together with the Planning Department will provide the required professional support. The Legislative Division will provide secretarial and administrative support.