

Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee
Thursday, September 21st, 2023 at 12:15 p.m.

Attendance options: Join the meeting in-person at either CMHA office locations
in Cornwall (329 Pitt Street) / Hawkesbury (444 McGill Street)

OR Virtually via Microsoft Teams meeting

Microsoft Teams meeting

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Minutes

Present:

Joanne Ledoux-Moshonas	(Co-Chair)	Canadian Mental Health Association-Champlain East
Jason Pollick		Canadian Mental Health Association-Champlain East
Johanne Renaud		Canadian Mental Health Association-Champlain East
Benoit St. Jean		Hawkesbury General Hospital
Kelley O'Farrell		Laurencrest
Martine Sabourin	(Co-Chair)	Ministry of the Solicitor General
Kenneth Gray		Ontario Provincial Police, Hawkesbury
Carilyne Hébert		Social Development Council of Cornwall and Area
Nadia Seguin		Social Service, Housing
Elyse Lauzon-Alguire		Situation Table of Akwesasne, Cornwall, Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry
Sara Fréchette-Paquette		Residence of Prescott and Russell
Janet MacDonald		Victim Services of S.D.G.&A.
Sandra Langevin		Secretary

Regrets:

Angel Quesnel	Addiction and Mental Health Services
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Absent:

Brittney Skidders/Carol Jacobs	Akwesasne Community Justice Program
Robert Archambault	Cornwall Community Police Service
Linda Bissonnette	Inspire Community Support Systems
Lynn Bradley	Legal Aid Ontario
Chantal Finn-Losier	Legal Aid Ontario
Greg Smith	Ontario Provincial Police, SDG
Mike Chretien	Situation Table of Prescott-Russell
Kate Baker	The Royal
Sheila Tallon	Victim Witness Assistance Program
Alanna Wall/Kim Hayward	Youth Now Intervention Services
Marisa Moher	Youturn

1. **Word of Welcome**
The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m.
2. **Land Acknowledgement**
The Land Acknowledgement was read.
3. **Adoption of the Agenda**
The agenda was approved as circulated.

4. **Adoption of the Minutes**
The June 15th, 2023 meeting minutes were approved as circulated.
5. **Business arising from Minutes**
Nothing to share.
6. **Invited Guest**
Our invited guest was unable to attend the meeting, however, Martine Sabourin provided an update with information that was shared by Brittany Skidders. Presentation materials will be sent to members of HSJCC.
7. **2023-2024 YTD Budget**
a) The August Year to date budget was reviewed at the meeting. We are in a surplus of \$5,138.11 dollars. The budget will be attached to the minutes.
8. **Champlain Regional HSJCC meeting update (Johanne Renaud)**
Johanne R. will be absent for the next meeting as she will be Co-Chairing the PR Hoarding response coalition on September 29. Hopefully Marysa can bring back any updates.
9. **SDG-PR 2023-2024 Workplan and update from Chairs of the sub-committees**
 - a) **Direct Services**
 - i) **Mental Health & Developmental Disabilities Court Model for Cornwall (Sheila Tallon)**
Sheila provided a written update as follows:
Sheila brought forward interest for resuming conversations about MH&DD Court Modern at the last Bench/Bar and Community Resource meeting. Justice Lahaie expressed that there was no Court time open for Mental Health matters but that she would look at scheduling time while making the 2024 calendar. Justice Lahaie also noted that she would schedule a meeting to get the Justice and Community members on the committee back at the table to resume the discussions in the spring of 2024.

Sheila and Martine will be attending the next Bench/Bar meeting, scheduled on October 30th, 2023.
 - ii) **Create plans of care, service plans/release plans, provide counseling and referrals (All)**
Joanne L. M. thought we could invite some representation from Housing to be at this table. As we look at the out Strategic Plan, I want to build on some resources that are happening at our tables, make each other aware of what is happening in our area.
 - iii) **Liaise with Vibrant Communities of SDG (Carilyne Hébert)**

Community Spotlight: to view all recorded spot lists please visit: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLuvO3Si85xJ6Le4waD5nVZs0Z77UthptS>.
To register for the next Spotlight visit: <https://forms.gle/is16jnFpQ899dSm77>

Information Sharing Email list: Please subscribe here: <https://forms.gle/1NAmWRWZon2nJLNf8>

Health Human Resources Project Team: The Great River OHT and the SDC has launched an HHR Project team that will implement the strategies identified at the Health Recruitment Strategic Planning Summit. The Summit took place Friday March 3rd, at the South Stormont Community Hall with over 100 individuals participating. This is a direct

action item from the Vibrant Communities Strategy: Work with existing efforts to attract and retain medical professionals to fully service our communities.

Wellness Room Pilot: In partnership with CMHA we have launched a Wellness Room at La Citadelle High School in Cornwall. The space is supervised by a teacher who will be trained by CMHA and can be used by all students. A Mental Health resource wall has also been created in the space. The space is warm, inviting, relaxing with a reading nook, access to craft supplies, noise canceling headphones, and much more. This room will be used as a drop in space but will also host regular activities for youth. We are planning to offer workshops such as yoga, meditation, journaling, and coping mechanisms. This Pilot will be evaluated by the end of 2023 to pair with a toolkit that we will use to encourage other schools and school boards to create their own wellness. There is funding for the next school interested in rolling out this program.

Youth Emergency Fund: Anyone with clients under 25 in an emergency situation that required financial support can submit their need to info@sdccornwall.ca. There is a small envelope of funds that can support youth. This is sponsored by the Youth Hub.

For information sharing: We are hosting the first Cornwall Culture Fest this Saturday from 10am to 4pm in Lamoureux Park in Cornwall. Hope to see some of you there! <https://www.facebook.com/events/621929249884116>

iv) **Prescott-Russell Wellbeing and Safety Advisory Committee (Michel Chretien, Administrative Coordinator)**

Johanne R. and Benoit St. Jean take part of the Transportation and is on the board of the Mental Health Addiction Substance Use Working tables. Plans are underway to complete a mapping exercise to confirm current services provided in PR and identify gaps.

Transportation remains a big concern in PR and is a barrier for clients to receive services.

Nadia is part of the Housing Committee, we work around with Victim Services, one pager for services that can be given to the person to address housing or mental illness or other services. Nadia offered to present her services to the next meeting.

v) **Client Care Kits / Supportive needs (Joanne Ledoux-Moshonas)**

HSJCC will continue to support agencies with client care kits. Requests are to be forwarded to Joanne L. M. by way of email with the amount requesting.

Nadia from United Counties of PR inquired about coverage of taxi vouchers for clients attending or release from court or jail. This would be an acceptable expenditure, request can be forwarded to Joanne L. M.

b) **Hoarding Response Coalition PR**

- i) There is a meeting scheduled next week. Nadia is a Co-Chair and will be an asset given her experience working with individuals dealing with different housing issues. A reminder that the 10 Steps for a Safer Home poster is available for distribution.

HSJCC will contribute to the expenses connected with its distribution to homes.

ii) **Hoarding Response Coalition of SDG (Jason Pollick)**

- Total client being served at this time = 34 clients
- Those who are receiving MH support but no financial support = 7

- Those who are receiving MH support and financial support for removal and disposal of items = 27

We recently had our last Hoarding Coalition meeting for SDGA on September 20th. A few notes from this meeting:

- A. Buried in Treasures begins October 4, 2024. Discussed options of attending virtually and in person. The lead staff have worked hard at putting this group into weekly power point presentation.
- B. Discussed resource list and advised it is a live document and changes will be made as roles change and connections are made. Document will be forwarded to Coalition members.
- C. Discussed connecting with townships to inquire about potential funding sources.
- D. Discussed upcoming presentations for Fire Department. Discussed providing presentation at Situation Table, and Community Spotlight. Carilyne encouraged leads to connect with SDC to register for spot with Community Spotlight
- E. Education committee being formed in order to coordinate and facilitate the next hoarding training by March 2024. Anne-Marie discussed contact with Social Worker from ON Municipal Social Services Association (OMSSA) to inquire about workshops offered through their organization. Discussions surrounding condensing workshop to modify modules to fit training audience. Pending follow up from OMSSA.

c) **Situation Table Advisory Committees**

i) **SDG&A Situation Table (Elyse Lauzon-Alguire)**

- Situation Table continues to meet weekly (Tuesdays 9am) – majority of meetings via Zoom, with an in-person meeting scheduled every couple of months.
- Since January 2023, a total of 23 cases have been brought to the Table.
- The Situation Table coordinated a virtual workshop “Filter Four Planning and Intervention Deployment: Improving Confidence & Skill” which was held on September 21st, 2023. The workshop was for Situation Table active member agency representatives, Situation Table ad-hoc member agency representatives, and Situation Table Advisory Committee members. The workshop is designed to help new and experienced Situation Table members develop a clearer understanding of the intervention process, including its purpose and key ingredients. The workshop has been informed by the experiences of hundreds of intervention practitioners working in the Situation Table model over the past 10 years. Topics covered include intervention theory, benefits, outcomes, preparation, planning, approach, delivery, report-back, follow-up, assessment, review.
- A virtual Situation Table Information Session was held on September 11th via Zoom; the next session will take place on November 20th 10am-12pm via Zoom. The purpose of the session is to provide an overview of the Situation Table processes (four filter approach to information sharing, how to bring a case forward to the Table, etc.). If anyone is interested in learning more about the Situation Table, please register using the following Eventbrite link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/situation-table-virtual-meet-greet-information-session-tickets-668755625077>

ii) **PR Situation Table Initiative (Michel Chretien)**

No update provided. Deferred to next meeting. They started meeting again every 2 weeks, very quiet summer.

d) **Training and professional development (Co-Chairs)**

i) **HSJCC Virtual Provincial Conference – November 15-16, 2023**

Registration is now open for the Provincial Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee (HSJCC) virtual Conference, ***Striving for Inclusive Justice: Reflecting on the past and acting for the future*** taking place on **November 15 and 16, 2023**. You can register at: <https://hsjccconference.ca/>. Our local HSJCC will pay for 10 seats. Interested members are to forward their names to Sandra Langevin by October 31st, 2023. If more interest is shown, we can evaluate those requests as well. The training is also available for members of your organization.

ii) **Suggested Topics**

- a) Human Trafficking
- b) Cultural sensitivity
- c) LGBTQ2+ & Justice
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- e) Land Acknowledgement – development of scrip
- f) EDIA
- g) Coalition for Unity, Respect & Equity/Equality for All (CUREA)
- h) Other

There was interest in having information on the Police, Guns & Gangs Unit to speak about community safety and response, rates and seriousness of offences in our community being committed by potential gang members. Ken Gray, Hawkesbury OPP said he would have a contact person that could join our next meeting as a presenter.

Members can identify any training interest and potential presenters in MS Teams Chat section or in the Meeting Evaluation Survey.

e) **Service and system performance, monitoring and evaluation (Co-Chairs)**

i) **Engage a consultant to assist with a strategic planning exercise**

a) **Selection of a Consultant for the facilitation of our Strategic Plan - Update**

Joanne L.M. and Martine met and found a consultant that met our intended project goals and this person will be available to facilitate a session / activities next spring.

The intent of this 2-year strategic review would be to identify gaps, needs, opportunities of the social justice community and the role that HSJCC can play or address these.

ii) **Membership List – Members are to validate contact information**

There is movement and changes in personnel. Sandra L. will circulate the membership list and confirm the validity of that information to make sure it is accurate. Each HSJCC member can have an alternate person updated on the list as well. This information is also sent to the Secretariat so that they are aware of who is on this table.

10. **Member Agency information Sharing (All)**

Nothing to share from members.

11. **Next Meeting**

Scheduled for Thursday, November 30th, 2023 at 12:15 p.m. Hybrid option is available to participate at the meeting. We are open to accommodate in Cornwall and Hawkesbury and supply lunch as well. If you cannot attend this meeting but have something you would like to share, please send it by email to Sandra Langevin slangevin@eohu.ca

12. **Meeting Evaluation**
The Meeting Evaluation from our last meeting was sent to members and will be attached with the minutes as well. The link for this meeting will be sent to members after the meeting.
13. **Link to HSJCC Website**
Members may access the meeting minutes, newsletters, updates on upcoming events, 10 Steps to a Safer Home poster, webinars and other Human Services and Social Justice related information on the Provincial and Local website. HSJCC is on the following portal link:
<http://hsjcc.on.ca/stormont-dundas-glengarry-prescott-russell-akwesasne-local-hsjcc/>
14. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.