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PRESENTATION FROM DR. V. GRDISA, CMHA SIMCOE COUNTY AND DR. L. SIMON, SMDHU CONCERNING AN UPDATE ON THE PROPOSED SUPERVISED CONSUMPTION SITE (SCS)

Dr. L. Simon, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit (SMDHU) and Dr. V. Grdisa, Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) Simcoe County provided a presentation concerning the selection of supervised consumption site (SCS) location and status of the application for a proposed SCS.

Dr. Simon and Dr. Grdisa discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The vision for the SCS site;
- The milestones since the 2019 presentation to Council;
- An overview on the components of the community consultations;
- The proposed four SCS site options;
- A summary of the community consultations associated to the proposed SCS sites;
- The rationale of selecting 11 Innisfil Street as the proposed SCS site location;
- The mitigation strategies associated to community and client safety, ongoing community engagement, and education and awareness;
- The health and social services available on-site and by referral;
- The staffing model, hours of operation and client flows;
- The next steps in the application and the Simcoe Muskoka Opioid Strategy; and
- Additional supporting data for a SCS.

Members of General Committee asked a number of questions to Dr. Simon and Dr. Grdisa and received responses.

Councillor J. Harris declared a potential pecuniary interest on the foregoing matter as he has a family member who works for the CMHA Simcoe County Branch. He did not participate in the discussions or vote on the foregoing matter. He left the virtual General Committee meeting.