

SNS Candidate Questionnaire

1. Do you agree with North Saanich's regional role, as set out in the [Regional Growth Strategy](#)? If so, will you vote to uphold and protect this role?

Yes. Yes.

2. Would you vote to expand the urban containment boundary to include parts of North Saanich, now or in the future?

Absolutely not.

3. Do you believe the housing targets the Province set for North Saanich were appropriate?

Absolutely not

4. Do you support more residential density than that which is set out in the current OCP?

Absolutely not

5. The schools on the peninsula are filled to capacity, the hospital is closed overnight, and Panorama is packed to the gills. If you are in favour of allowing density in excess of what is presently set out in the OCP, what should be done to do to alleviate the pressure on

services and infrastructure on the peninsula? And who pays for it?

I am not in favour of allowing density in excess of what is set out in the OCP. The issue of infrastructure (schools, hospitals, recreation) area important when discussing densification with the CRD and the Province.

6. The current OCP had to be drafted to comply with the housing targets. As a result, it permits much more density than the previous OCP. If the housing targets are repealed, would you consider reducing allowable density the next time the OCP is considered? If so, in what way?

No, I think the density and housing plan in the current OCP is a made in North Saanich plan that has been thoroughly vetted by the Community Planning Advisory Committee and the planning department of North Saanich, with community consultation. The current OCP was designed not only to comply with housing targets, but to balance all of the priorities of our community, including infrastructure, property tax implications. Reducing density should be considered in the context of the needs of the community.

7. If David Eby somehow ekes a win on October 24 and the provincial government imposes a Ministerial Order or other coercive measure which interferes with local land use planning, would you vote to take all available steps to oppose such interference, up to and including legal challenge?

Yes

8. What do you do for a living? If you're retired, what did you do before retirement?

I am retired, but I live farming and agriculture everyday. Before retiring I was a Chartered Accountant working in the area of finance, financial reporting, budgeting and business planning. At the time of retiring, I was the Chief Financial Officer of a private sector corporation.

9. With the exception of folks who are in the trades and on the tools¹, do you or any member of your family (spouse, parents, children, siblings) benefit financially from the residential development industry?

No.

10. Are you or any member of your family (parents, children, siblings, spouse) presently seeking to subdivide or rezone any property in North Saanich? What about in the next four years?

I am looking to build a small cottage (less than 1,000 sq ft) on our farm property within the ALR for use in the farm operations (housing for farm labour, farm succession planning purposes). It is permitted under the ALC rules, and it's permitted under our present OCP, but our bylaws have not yet been updated to reflect this. As a result its unclear whether they will be updated in time or whether we will have to seek a rezoning. The building permit application has been in since January of 2026.

11. If you answered anything but “no” to questions 9 and 10, how will you keep this from influencing your decisions if you are elected to

¹ By this we mean working with materials at a job site, as opposed to supervising, acting as a GC, consulting, etc.

council? (For reference, here's [Policy No. COU-014: Code of Ethics and Conduct for Council](#))

Yes, I would recuse myself from any decisions that may influence the outcome of the application. Further, I would recuse myself from any issue that may have a potential conflict of interest.

12. Do you or your spouse own more than one piece of property in North Saanich? (Zoned residential or otherwise)

Yes. The properties area for residential or agricultural purposes, not development or commercial.

13. Do you think “engagement” for bylaws and policies relating to land use should include any person who is not a resident of North Saanich?

No, I believe North Saanich Council represents the persons resident or paying property taxes in North Saanich. Engagement for bylaws and policies should rest with the persons resident or paying property taxes in North Saanich

14. Should it include external organizations? (UDI, VRBA, etc)

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15. The commissions have been suspended for months. If elected, will you immediately vote to reinstate them?

Yes

16. Are you in favour of building housing on the portions of the Sandown lands owned by the District?

No

17. Do you think that land presently zoned for agriculture should be considered for development if it is not being actively farmed?

No

18. Are you in favour of maintaining open burning in North Saanich, during the appropriate season and on days with a good venting index?

No, I believe we should be on the path to no open burning. I believe the district should incentivise the non burning options like green waste drop off and seasonal pickups. Also, we should have the support of the fire department when issuing burning permits and discussing options other than burning.

19. How do you feel about roosters?

I like them in rural areas. Common sense and respect for neighbours should dictate how many within a certain area.

