



Committee of the Whole

Meeting Date: March 12, 2024
Submitted by: Brent Kerwin, Strathmere Lodge Administrator
Subject: Long-term Care Service Accountability Agreement (L-SAA) – Annual Declaration of Compliance

BACKGROUND:

Ontario Health requires that there be a Service Accountability Agreement with the County to authorize the continued flow of provincial funding to Strathmere Lodge for the services it provides as an approved Long Term Care Home in Ontario.

The current Long-Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement (L-SAA) between The Corporation of the County of Middlesex (the “Health Service Provider”, or HSP) and Ontario Health covers the period April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024.

Ontario Health requires that an annual Declaration of Compliance with the L-SAA be issued by the “Board of Directors” of each HSP.

ANALYSIS:

Ontario Health has advised that the Declaration of Compliance must be Board-approved, signed and submitted annually.



Middlesex County Council, as the Committee of Management for Strathmere Lodge, is therefore required to authorize the Warden to make the Declaration of Compliance for Strathmere Lodge.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The Annual Declaration of Compliance is a requirement of the L-SAA. Not adhering to the L-SAA may impact the flow of provincial funding.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC FOCUS:

This report aligns with the following Strategic Focus, Goals, or Objectives:

Strategic Focus	Goals	Objectives
<p>Cultivating Community Vitality</p> 	<p>Advance a diverse, healthy, and engaged community across Middlesex County</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Promote and support community wellness• Innovate social and community services• Champion and encourage active transportation and public transit opportunities
<p>Promoting Service Excellence</p> 	<p>Innovate and transform municipal service delivery</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Anticipate and align municipal service delivery to emerging needs and expectations• Engage, educate and inform residents, businesses, and visitors of county services and community activities• Collaborate with strategic partners to leverage available resources and opportunities• Build organizational capacity and capabilities

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Schedule E (Declaration of Compliance) of the Long-Term Care Service Accountability Agreement (L-SAA) be approved, and that Warden DeViet be authorized to sign Schedule E on behalf of the County of Middlesex.

Attachment