



Committee of the Whole

Meeting Date: March 25, 2025

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 Long-term Care Service Accountability Agreement (L-SAA) with Middlesex 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.

Ontario Health requires that an annual Declaration of Compliance with the L-SAA be issued by the “Board of Directors” of each long-term care organization (“Health Service Provider”).

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
Cultivating Community Vitality 	Advance a diverse, healthy, and engaged community across Middlesex County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote and support community wellness Innovate social and community services Attract, retain, and engage youth in our community Champion and encourage active transportation and public transit opportunities
Promoting Service Excellence 	Innovate and transform municipal service delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anticipate and align municipal service delivery to emerging needs and expectations Strengthen our advocacy and lobbying efforts with other government bodies Collaborate with strategic partners to leverage available resources and opportunities

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Long-term Care Service Accountability Agreement (L-SAA) – Annual Declaration of Compliance report be received for information;

THAT Schedule E (Declaration of Compliance) of the Long-Term Care Service Accountability Agreement (L-SAA) be approved;

AND THAT the Warden be authorized to sign Schedule E on behalf of the County of Middlesex.

Attachment.