



## County Council

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**Meeting Date:** March 14, 2023  
**Submitted by:** Warden Cathy Burghardt-Jesson and  
Deputy Warden Aina DeViet  
**Subject:** Appointment to the Middlesex London Food Policy Council

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### **BACKGROUND:**

In accordance with Rules of Procedure By-law #5968, as amended, at the first regular meeting of a new term of Council, the Warden and Deputy Warden select the members who are to serve on Committees of Council and any Third Party Committees or Boards for which a representative from the County has been requested. Should a Committee appointment be required throughout the term, the by-law states that the Warden and Deputy Warden shall make a recommendation to Council and such selection shall be confirmed by a majority vote of council and appointed by by-law.

### **ANALYSIS:**

On December 13, 2022, Committee appointments for the 2022-2026 term were made pursuant to By-law #7203, as amended.

On February 23, 2023, the County received a request to appoint a representative to the Middlesex London Food Policy Council (MLFPC). The MLFPC's mandate is to identify challenges in local food systems and promote collaboration among sectors to address their economic viability, environmental sustainability, and social justice.

The MLFPC meets once per month. The majority of meetings are held virtually.

The appointment request is for the 2022-2026 term of Council.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

The representative appointed to the MLFPC will receive a per diem in the amount of \$166.76 and mileage at a rate of \$0.61/km (if applicable) for attendance at meetings (2022 rates).

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC FOCUS:**

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

<b>Strategic Focus</b>	<b>Goals</b>	<b>Objectives</b>
Cultivating Community Vitality	Advance a diverse, healthy, and engaged community across Middlesex County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Promote and support community wellness</li><li>• Innovate social and community services</li><li>• Attract, retain, and engage youth in our community</li><li>• Champion and encourage active transportation and public transit opportunities</li></ul>
Strengthening Our Economy	Encourage a diverse and robust economic base throughout the county	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Support opportunities to create a stronger and sustainable agricultural sector</li><li>• Create an environment that enables the attraction and retention of businesses, talent, and investments</li><li>• Attract visitors to Middlesex County</li><li>• Support the development and prosperity of downtown core areas in Middlesex County</li></ul>
Promoting Service Excellence	Innovate and transform municipal service delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Anticipate and align municipal service delivery to emerging needs and expectations</li><li>• Engage, educate and inform residents, businesses, and visitors of county services and community activities</li><li>• Strengthen our advocacy and lobbying efforts with other government bodies</li><li>• Collaborate with strategic partners to leverage available resources and opportunities</li><li>• Build organizational capacity and capabilities</li></ul>

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the necessary by-law be introduced at the March 14, 2023 meeting of Council to appoint Councillor Michelle Smibert to the Middlesex London Food Policy Committee.