

I am following up to give my consent for this message to be shared – as I know this is on the agenda for Thursday's meeting.
Thanks

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To: Councilagenda@london.ca <Councilagenda@london.ca>

Subject: Supporting the Hubs

Dear City Council,

I was born and raised in this city, and I love this city. It's been painful and incredibly frustrating to see what has happened both with the increase of homeless people and the dire situation in the downtown core. I am writing to express my support for hubs as people need to be cared for and supported out of homelessness.

I also feel strongly that the brunt of this work cannot only fall to the downtown and the east end-two areas of the city that have nearly been decimated by this crisis. Other parts of London need to get involved, and our downtown needs to be protected. I support hubs in different parts of the city. I recognize that there are privileged neighbourhoods that like to feel removed and separate from this crisis, but it is not fair for the responsibility to only lie in the hands of the downtown and the old east community. This is a London issue not a downtown issue.

Please protect our downtown, and please support the homeless by locating these hubs in different parts of the city.

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