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TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING ON APRIL 7, 2014
FROM:	SANDRA DATARS BERE MANAGING DIRECTOR, HOUSING, SOCIAL SERVICES AND DEARNESS HOME
SUBJECT:	REPORT TO THE LICENSEE OF THE DEARNESS HOME REGARDING THE 2013-2016 LONG-TERM CARE HOME SERVICE ACCOUNTABILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF LONDON (DEARNESS HOME) AND THE SOUTH WEST LOCAL HEALTH INTEGRATION NETWORK (LHIN) DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE 2013

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Housing, Social Services and Dearness Home, and with the concurrence of the City Manager, this report to the Licensee of the Dearness Home regarding the Dearness Home Committee of Management direction to execute the Declaration of Compliance under the Long-Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement for the reporting period of January 1 to December 31, 2013 **BE RECEIVED** for information.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER
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- 2013-2016 Service Accountability Agreement Between the Corporation of the City of London (Dearness Home) and the South West Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) – Declaration of Compliance 2013 (DH Committee of Management, March 27, 2014)
- 2013-2016 Service Accountability Agreement Between the Corporation of the City of London (Dearness Home) and the South West Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) (CPSC - March 18, 2013)
- 2013-2016 Long-Term Care Home Accountability Planning Submission (CPSC - December 3, 2012)
- Service Accountability Agreement between the Corporation of the City of London and the South West Local Health Integration Network (CPSC-June 28, 2010)

BACKGROUND

Under the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007*, (LTCH) every southern municipality that is an upper or single-tier municipality shall establish and maintain a municipal home. As a result, the Corporation of the City of London has established the Dearness Home and as Licensee, is holder of the license for service provision under the LTCH Act. The Licensee is responsible to ensure every requirement under the Act and Regulation is followed.

The *LTCH* Act also requires that the council of a municipality maintaining a long-term care home shall appoint from among its members a Committee of Management for the Home. The current Dearness Home Committee of Management was established under by-law A.-6582-255in December 2010 and includes five council members. Under the *LTCH* Act, the duties of the Committee of Management are to exercise the care, diligence and skill that a reasonably prudent person would exercise in comparable circumstances and to take such measures as necessary to ensure that the corporation complies with all requirements of the Act.

In addition to its responsibilities under the *LTCH* Act, the Corporation as a long-term care service provider also has responsibility as a Health Service Provider (HSP) under the requirements of the *Local Health System Integration Act, 2006 (LHSI)*. Under this Act, the

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Local Health Integration Network must have a service accountability agreement (SAA) in place with each Health Service Provider that it funds. The SAA for the long-term care sector is called the Long-Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement (L-SAA). In March 2013, Council approved a three year L-SAA agreement with the South West LHIN for the Dearness Home for the period April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2016.

Within the L-SAA is also the requirement that the “Board” authorize, by resolution, an individual to issue an annual Declaration of Compliance declaring that the HSP has complied with and fulfilled its obligations under the terms of the Agreement. Under Article 1.0 of the Agreement (Definitions and Interpretations), with respect to a municipality, “Board” means the Committee of Management.

At its meeting on March 27, 2014, the Dearness Home Committee of Management reviewed its requirements under the L-SAA, confirmed service compliance and authorized the City Manager to execute the Declaration of Compliance under the L-SAA for the period of January 1 to December 2013. A copy of the report to the Committee of Management and the executed Declaration of Compliance is attached as Appendix A. The Declaration has been forwarded to the South West LHIN. The Committee of Management also directed that a notice of completion of the Declaration be provided to the Licensee (Corporation) through this report to the CPSC committee.

RECOMMENDED BY:	CONCURRED BY:
SANDRA DATARS BERE MANAGING DIRECTOR, HOUSING, SOCIAL SERVICES AND DEARNESS HOME	ART ZUIDEMA CITY MANAGER

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