2ND REPORT OF THE CHILD CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on May 21, 2014, commencing at 1:33 p.m.

PRESENT: D. Gordon (Chair), S. Carter, N. Cole, M. Hoff, J. Keens, Dr. P. Pappas-Ioannidis, C. Wagg, A. Wittstein and J. Martin (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: E. De Freitas, I. Gibb and A. Rae.

REGRETS: G. Doerr, H. Gerrits and G. Remisch.

I YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Childcare Occupancy Data Reports 1. (a) That the Childcare Advisory Committee reviewed and received the <u>attached</u> report from A. Rae, Manager, Children's Services, with respect to the childcare occupancy data reports.

Childcare Subsidy Application and Placement Stats 2. (b) That the Childcare Advisory Committee reviewed and received the attached report from A. Rae, Manager, Children's Services, with respect to the childcare subsidy application and placement statistics.

2014 Children's Services Budget 3. (3) That the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) reviewed and received the <u>attached</u> update from I. Gibb, Manager, Children's Services, with respect to the 2014 Children Services Budget.

Children's Services Funding Agreement 4. (4) That the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) reviewed and received the <u>attached</u> update from I. Gibb, Manager, Children's Services, with respect to the Children's Services Funding Agreement.

General Operating Grant Update 5. (5) That the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) reviewed and received the <u>attached</u> update from I. Gibb, Manager, Children's Services, with respect to the General Operating Grant.

Capital Grant Update 6. (6) That the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) reviewed and received the <u>attached</u> update from I. Gibb, Manager, Children's Services, with respect to the Capital Grant. The CCAC commended Civic Administration for their initiative and for keeping the child care community involved and informed.

Child Care Policy Changes 7. (7) That the Child Care Advisory Committee (CCAC) received a verbal update from A. Rae, Manager, Children's Services, with respect to the Child Care Policy changes. The CCAC was advised that the policy changes could provide up to an additional 200 placements.

One List System 8. (8) That the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) received a verbal update from A. Rae, Manager, Children's Services, with respect to the One List System. Civic Administration confirmed the community recognizes the value of the System and would like the service continued.

Partner's Licensed Child Care Marketing Plan

9. (9,14) That the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) received a verbal update from C. Wagg, with respect to the Partner's Licensed Child Care Marketing Plan and the social media Facebook contest promoting the key benefits of licensed child care.

Facebook Contest

Full Day Kindergarten and RECE Hires 10. (10) That the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) received a verbal update from D. Gordon, with respect to Full-Day Kindergarten and recent Early Childhood Educator hires.

Child Care Advisory Committee Priorities

- 11. (11) That the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) held a general discussion with respect to the CCAC priorities. The CCAC will work with Civic Administration to develop a communication strategy to educate and inform the new council on child care priorities; it being noted that the CCAC proposed the following initiatives with respect to this matter:
- a) Adopt-a-Councillor Program; and,
- b) Child Care Service Plan presentation.

City of London Website 12. (12) That the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) held a general discussion with respect to the City of London website. The CCAC will provide the Civic Administration with feedback on the potential content and the role of the City in a Child Care/Early Learning website.

Proposed Regulatory Changes to the Day Nurseries Act

13. (13) That the Child Care Advisory Committee (CCAC) discussed the status of the proposed regulatory changes to the *Day Nurseries Act*.

14. That the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) received and noted the following:

1st Report of the CCAC

a) (1) the 1st Report of the Childcare Advisory Committee from its meeting held on January 29, 2014; and,

Appointment to the CCAC

b) (2) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on March 18, 2014, with respect to the appointment of Ailene Wittstein to the Childcare Advisory Committee.

Next Meeting

15. That the Childcare Advisory Committee will hold its next meeting on October 29, 2014.

The meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.