# 1ST REPORT OF THE CHILD CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on January 25, 2012, commencing at 1:06 p.m.

PRESENT: C. Wagg (Chair), S. Carter, N. Cole, J. Falconer, D. Gordon, M. Hoff, A. Wittstein and J. Martin (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor M. Brown, A. Rae, M. Reid and W. Richardson.

REGRETS: K. Calligan, G. Doerr, H. Gerritts and I. Gibb.

### I YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS

MP & MPP Meeting Agenda

- 1. (Add) That the matter of current child care issues **BE PLACED** on the next Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee (SPPC) agenda with the local Members of Parliament and Members of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario; it being noted that the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) specifically noted the following issues for discussion:
- (a) barriers to childcare:
- (b) healthy child development;
- (c) economic impacts; and,
- (d) high-quality licensed childcare.

#### II YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Child Care Priorities in New Developments

2. That the Child Care Advisory Committee (CCAC) received a verbal delegation from Councillor M. Brown with respect to child care needs within new developments, and held a general discussion with respect to the issues noted in clause 1 above.

Future Agenda Items

- 3. That the Child Care Advisory Committee (CCAC) asked its Committee Secretary to place the items on a future agenda:
- (a) R. Peturson and K. Calligan, Ministry of Education, with respect to early childcare planning and the vision and framework for licensed childcare in Ontario; and,
- (b) the MPP Advocacy Report.
- 4. That the Child Care Advisory Committee received and noted the following:

5th Report of the CCAC

- (a) (1) the 5th Report of the Child Care Advisory Committee from its meeting held on November 16, 2011; subject to the following amendments:
  - Item 3, line 5, delete the word "requested" and add the word "suggested";
  - Item 5(a), delete the word "Callahan" and add the word "Calligan"; and,
  - Item 5(c), delete the word "Buteau" and add the word "Cole".

Governance Model

(b) (2) an organizational chart with respect to the City's new governance model; it being noted the Child Care Advisory Committee received a verbal update from its Committee Secretary with respect to this matter.

Child Care Fee Subsidy Stats

- (c) (3) a verbal update, from A. Rae and M. Reid, and the <u>attached</u> Child Care Subsidy Application and Placement Statistics and noted the following:
- a decrease of 200 children on the waitlist in November and December; and,
- a \$5.00 per diem subsidy increase, January 1, 2012.

it being further noted:

- the CCAC acknowledged the excellent service provided for families in the Municipal Child Care Fee Subsidy program and the positive impact the increase in access to licensed childcare has on the family and children; and,
- any feedback with respect to the per diem subsidy increase be forwarded to Civic Administration.

Licensed Child Care Occupancy Reports (d) (4) a verbal update from N. Cole and the <u>attached</u> Child Care Centre Occupancy Rates report for July to September 2011;

Licensed Home Child Care Report

(e) (5) a verbal update from N. Cole and the <u>attached</u> Licensed Home Child Care Occupancy Report for December 2011;

Child Care Advisory Committee Summary Report for 2011

(f) (6) the Child Care Advisory Committee (CCAC) 2011 Summary Report; and,

Child Care Centres by Municipal Electoral Ward

(g) (7) the revised Child Care Centres list by Municipal Electoral Ward for 2011.

**Next Meeting** 

5. That the Child Care Advisory Committee will hold its next meeting on March 28, 2012.

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

### Summary of Licensed Child Care Occupancy - 3rd Quarter 2011 (July-September)

Age Group	Operating Capacity	Occupied Child Care Spaces					
		% Occupied	# Children in Child Care (FTE)				
Infants (0-1½ yrs)	484 Children (FTE)	93%	455				
Toddlers (1½-2½ yrs)	1028 Children (FTE)	90%	925				
Preschool/JKSK ((2½-5yrs 8mos) (as of Sept 1)	3736 Children (FTE)	89%	3325				
Before School (6-12 yrs)	1864 Children (FTE) (Sept)	74%	1379				
After School (6-12 yrs)	2348 Children (FTE) (Sept)	82%	1925				

Reporting Rate for Q3 2011: 100%

Of the 148 Child Care Centres with a Fee Subsidy Purchase of Service Agreement with the City of London, 148 Centres (100%) reported.

## Child Care Advisory Committee Licensed Home Child Care Occupancy Report – Dec, 2011

	Summary Chart								
London Licensed Home Child	Children Served	Spaces available	Families Served	Approved Providers					
Care Agency	Infancy to	12 years							
TOTALS	151	39	107	49					

Child Subsidy 2011 Application and Placement Stats												
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
# unique active children	2,980	2,963	3007	2967	2941	2892	2990	2920	3140	2705	2852	2787
# of applications	127	134	135	120	170	201	131	196	182	108	119	83
# of ineligible applications	11	12	4	8	19	24	12 <sup>-</sup>	25	16	18	15	6
% ineligible	8.7%	9.0%	3.0%	6.7%	11.2%	11.9%	9.2%	12.8%	8.8%	16.7%	12.6%	7.2%
# of children on wait listbeginning of month	115	214	219	338	359	441	489	509	548	616	413	410
# of wait list placements	73	18	32	8	28	0	10	10	172	20	209	0
OW Placements into DNA due to Earnings or OSAP	3	8	6	4	7	6	7	8	44	~ 7	11	3
Emergency Placements due to Professional Referrals for immediate care	24	15	28	12	6	25	13	9	11 .	10	4	1