

TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING ON MARCH 20, 2018
FROM:	SANDRA DATARS BERE MANAGING DIRECTOR, HOUSING, SOCIAL SERVICES AND DEARNESS HOME
SUBJECT:	2018-2019 SERVICE ACCOUNTABILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF LONDON (DEARNESS HOME) AND THE SOUTH WEST LOCAL HEALTH INTEGRATION NETWORK (LHIN)

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Housing, Social Services and Dearness Home, the attached proposed By-law (Appendix A) **BE INTRODUCED** at the Municipal Council meeting on March 27, 2018 to:

- a) **APPROVE** the Long Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement for the period April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019 attached as schedule 1 with the South West Local Health Integration Network (LHIN); and
- b) **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the agreement approved in (a) above.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER
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- 2016-2019 Service Accountability Agreement between the Corporation of the City of London (Dearness Home) and the South West Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) (March 26, 2016)
- 2016-2019 Long Term Care Home Accountability Planning Submission (LAPS) (January 26, 2016)
- 2013-2016 Service Accountability Agreement between the Corporation of the City of London (Dearness Home) and the South West Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) (March 18, 2013)
- 2013-2016 Long Term Care Home Accountability Planning Submission (LAPS) (December 3, 2012)

BACKGROUND

It is a requirement of the *Local Health System Integration Act, 2006* that a Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) have a service accountability agreement (SAA) 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 2016, Council approved a three year L-SAA agreement with the LHIN. The term of that agreement was April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2019.

On January 19, 2018, the LHIN advised the City that in order to ensure alignment with legislative changes necessitated by the implementation of the *Patients First Act*, a new Long Term Care Service Accountability Agreement for the period April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019, attached as schedule 2 would be required. Passed in December 2016, the *Patients First Act* was enacted to help patients and their families obtain better access to a more local and integrated health care system, improving the patient experience and delivering higher-quality care.

Consistent with previous versions of the L-SAA, the 2018-2019 L-SAA, attached as Schedule 1, sets out the terms under which the LHIN will provide funding to the City for the delivery of Long Term Care services at Dearness Home. It also confirms the reporting, performance, planning and health system integration obligations that the City must adhere to in order to received funding. The existing 2016-2019 L-SAA will be replaced by the new 2018-2019 L-SAA, once it is approved and executed.

The proposed new L-SAA attached as schedule 1 includes several amendments to align with new requirements of the *Patients First Act*, to provide clarity and enhance services related to the *French Language Services Act*, to reflect the reorganization of the LHIN and the former Community Care Access Centre and to update specific articles which address Provision of Services, Planning and Integration, Reporting, Warranties and Covenants and Additional Provisions. It also includes some changes to the L-SAA schedules including some amendments to Provincial Service Indicators. An overview of the changes is provided in the Letter from the LHIN, attached as Appendix B. Although a number of amendments have been made, the LHIN has confirmed that the nature of the changes are minimal, and because there was pan-LHIN agreement, are generally consistent across the province.

The proposed new L-SAA was released by the LHIN on February 8, 2018 with a request that the Health Service Partner (HSP) (The City of London) return the Board-approved and signed copy of the Agreement by March 5, 2018. If the HSP was unable to meet the deadline, there was a requirement to provide the LHIN with a statement of intent, confirming that an approved L-SAA would be forwarded to the LHIN by March 30, 2018. The City did submit a statement of intent to sign and the LHIN has been informed that the L-SAA will be presented to Council for approval at its meeting on March 27, 2018.

Civic Administration including representatives from Legal Services and Risk Management have reviewed the proposed agreement.

RECOMMENDED BY:
SANDRA DATARS BERE MANAGING DIRECTOR, HOUSING, SOCIAL SERVICES AND DEARNESS HOME

- cc:** B. Hall, Administrator, Dearness Home
K. Murray, Senior Financial Business Administrator
J. Brown, Financial Business Administrator
L. Marshall, Solicitor
J. Wills, Manager, Risk Management

APPENDIX A

Bill No.
2018

By-law No.

A By-law to approve the Long-Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement with the South West LHIN, and to authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the agreement.

WHEREAS subsection 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* provides that a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS section 9 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care may provide funding to a local health integration network (LHIN) under the *Local Health System Integration Act, 2006 (LHSI Act)*;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to the *LHSI Act* a local health integration network is an agent of the Crown and may exercise its powers as an agent of the Crown;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to subsection 19(1) of the *LHSI Act*, a local health integration network may provide funding to a health service provider, defined to include a municipality that maintains a long-term care home under Part VIII of the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007*, in respect of services that the service provider provides in or for the geographic area of the network;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to subsection 19(2) of the *LHSI Act*, the funding that a LHIN provides under subsection 19(1) shall be on the terms and conditions that the network considers appropriate and in accordance with the funding that the network receives from the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, the network's accountability agreement and any prescribed requirements;

AND WHEREAS section 20 of the *LHSI Act* provides that a LHIN and a health service provider that receives funding from the LHIN shall enter into a service accountability agreement;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. The Long-Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement for the period April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019 to be entered into with the South West Local Health Integration Network with respect to the Dearness Home attached as Schedule A to this By-law, is approved.
2. The Mayor and the City Clerk are authorized to execute the agreement approved under section 1 above.
3. This by-law shall come into force and effect on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council _____, 2018.

Matt Brown
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

First reading -
Second reading -
Third reading -