

ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITY LIVING PROGRAM AGREEMENT KITCHEN BREEDON MANOR

The Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained in the following report, August 5, 2003, from the Commissioner of Health Services:

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee and Regional Council authorize the Commissioner of Health Services and Medical Officer of Health to execute a Supportive Housing Agreement with the Schomberg Lions Non-Profit Housing Corporation to designate housing units for the provision of the Alternative Community Living Program at Kitchen Breedon Manor.
2. Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee and Regional Council authorize the Commissioner of Health Services and Medical Officer of Health to execute a Service Agreement with Schomberg Lions Non-Profit Housing Corporation for the provision of services to Alternative Community Living Program clients at Kitchen Breedon Manor.
3. The Commissioner of Health Services and Medical Officer of Health be authorized to execute similar Supportive Housing and Service Agreements for Alternative Community Living Programs and services within York Region in the future.
4. Staff be authorized to do all things necessary to implement these recommendations.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to secure approval from Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee and Regional Council to enter into agreements with Schomberg Lions Non-Profit Housing Corporation (SLNPHC) regarding the designation and provision of services to ten Alternative Community Living Program (ACLP) apartments at Kitchen Breedon Manor.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 Historical Overview

In 1990, The Regional Municipality of York started the ACLP Long Term Care Supportive Housing Program for frail seniors and adults with disabilities. The program was developed as a cost-effective, high-quality alternative to the institutionalization of the frail elderly that were previously cared for in the residential care section of the Long Term Care Facility Program. The ACLP provides essential homemaking and support services to clients in their own apartments.

3.2 ACLP Implementation at Kitchen Breedon Manor

In 1992, in partnership with the SLNPHC, the ACLP opened their fourth supportive housing site in the new seniors apartments at Kitchen Breedon Manor in Schomberg.

At that time the SLNPHC agreed to provide ten designated units for ACLP clients and a client centre containing a respite care unit. The ACLP also contracted with the SLNPHC to have its on-site superintendent provide services to ACLP clients overnight as a cost-effective alternative to providing 24-hour staff coverage. The Ministry of Health and Long Term Care (MOHLTC) funds the direct service delivery to ACLP clients, the rental of the client centre and the services provided by the SLNPHC on-site superintendent.

3.3 Formalizing the Agreements

The Regional Municipality of York did not enter into a formal agreement with the SLNPHC when the ACLP was started at Kitchen Breedon Manor in 1992, instead a letter of understanding and a job description for the on-site superintendent were drafted and agreed upon.

In 2001, The Regional Municipality of York Community Services and Housing Department, under the *Social Housing Reform Act*, became administrators of the Rent-geared to Income waiting list for non-profit housing providers including Kitchen Breedon Manor.

Following a review of the ACLP services delivered at Kitchen Breedon Manor by staff of the Health Services Department and the Community Services and Housing Department, it was determined that agreements should be executed between The Regional Municipality of York and SLNPHC, formalizing the previous arrangements for the ACLP at Kitchen Breedon Manor.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

Two agreements require execution, a Supportive Housing Agreement and a Service Agreement. Staff of the Health Services Department, Community Services and Housing Department and Legal Services Branch of the Corporate Services Department have been involved in drafting these agreements. The agreements define the terms and conditions of the relationship between The Regional Municipality of York and the SLNPHC concerning the provision of the ACLP at Kitchen Breedon Manor.

In general terms, the Supportive Housing agreement requires the SLNPHC to provide 10 units in Kitchen Breedon Manor, specifically designed to accommodate the physical requirements of ACLP clients. The Agreement also outlines the type of client that will be admitted to these units, the process for selecting ACLP clients to reside in the units, the eligibility criteria, the referral process and wait list management.

The Service Agreement requires SLNPHC to provide services to ACLP clients, including overnight emergency response and security services, at a cost of \$16,500 per year. The Service Agreement also provides for the lease of a client centre by the Region at Kitchen Breedon Manor, at a cost of \$340 per month/\$4,080 per year. This client centre is to be used by the Region for the purpose of administering and providing services in relation to the ACLP and for the provision of 24-hour respite care.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Costs associated with the delivery of programs and services and the lease of the client centre associated with this report are included in the Health Services Department's approved annual budget.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

The adoption of this report will ensure the formalization of the agreement between The Regional Municipality of York and SLNPHC to continue the provision of ACLP services to the residents of Kitchen Breedon Manor in Schomberg.

7. CONCLUSION

The approval of the recommendation authorizing the execution of these agreements between SLNPHC and The Regional Municipality of York will formalize ACLP operations within Kitchen Breedon Manor. The agreements also meet the criteria of the Community Services and Housing Department for the maintenance of its wait list specific to the frail elderly and physically disabled clients. Lastly, the service agreement also allows us to meet the criteria of the MOHLTC for 24-hour on-site emergency response coverage for ACLP clients.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.