

**The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes**

**Victoria Manor Committee of Management**

**Report VMC2018-04**

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**Meeting Date:** March 19, 2018

**Meeting Time:** 9:30 a.m.

**Meeting Place:** Human Services Boardroom, 322 Kent St. W., Lindsay

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**Subject:** Applications for New Long-Term Care Bed Capacity

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**Recommendation(s):**

**Resolved That** Report VMC2018-04, “Applications for New Long-Term Care Bed Capacity”, be received for information.

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Director

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Other

## **Background:**

In November 2017 the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care announced the creation of 5,000 new long-term care beds by 2022 and another 30,000 new beds over the next 10 years under “Aging with Confidence: Ontario’s Action Plan for Seniors.”

On February 12<sup>th</sup>, the Ministry released the application details for the first 5,000 beds. Existing long-term care homes, including non-profit homes, municipal homes and for-profit homes are eligible to apply, as well as new applicants. Homes looking to increase their number of approved or licenced beds as part of their redevelopment under the Enhanced Long-Term Care Homes Renewal Strategy (ELTCHRS) are also able to apply under this process.

The application deadline for this allocation of 5,000 beds was March 2, 2018. These 5,000 beds must be open and operational by December 31, 2022. The Ministry has stated that a further application intake will take place for the next 30,000 new beds, although a specific timeframe was not identified.

## **Rationale:**

This initial process to apply for new beds provided only 15 days to prepare and submit an application. Based on internal staff discussions and informal feedback from the Committee of Management, the consensus was not to apply at this time. The current resolution of City Council is to proceed with a redevelopment application for 160 beds. Additionally, the requirement to have new beds open by the end of 2022 may not align with the redevelopment schedule for Victoria Manor.

The approval of new beds will be determined by the Ministry in consultation with Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs) based on a number of factors, including:

- The need for Long-Term Care services in each area;
- demonstrated compliance with Ministry requirements;
- alignment with existing Ministry policies (Aging with Confidence, Patients First, and the ELTHCRS);
- financial viability of the project and the operator; and
- applicant’s ability to meet all program requirements.

Capital funding for the creation of new beds is the same as the Construction Funding Subsidy under the ELTCHRS.

LHINs review and assess need based on sub-regions. The City of Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton make up the local sub-region for the Central East LHIN.

Table 1 below lists the current number of homes and beds in Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes sub-region.

**Table 1: Long-Term Care Beds by Home**

<b>Kawartha Lakes Homes</b>	<b>No. of beds</b>
Caessant Care, Lindsay (Mary St.)	124
Caessant Care McLaughlin Rd., Lindsay	96
Extendicare Kawartha Lakes, Lindsay	64
Fenelon Court, Fenelon Falls	67
Frost Manor, Lindsay	62
Pinecrest Nursing Home, Bobcaygeon	65
Case Manor, Bobcaygeon	96
Victoria Manor, Lindsay	166
Total Kawartha Lakes	<b>740</b>
<b>Haliburton Homes</b>	
Extendicare Haliburton, Haliburton	60
Highland Wood, Haliburton	30
Hyland Crest Seniors Home, Minden	62
Total Haliburton County	<b>152</b>
<b>TOTAL LHIN Sub-Region</b>	<b>892</b>

In discussion with CE-LHIN staff, they relayed that there is currently a request to add 64 beds, although they are not able to identify what home has made the request. Based on the existing number of beds in the sub-region, 892, and the population figures used by the LHIN, the LHIN staff stated there are currently 95 beds per 1,000 persons aged 75 and over. The addition of the 64 beds would place the ratio at approximately 102/1,000 aged 75 and over. While recognizing that the Province has not set a specific target for bed numbers by population, the LHIN stated that this sub-region would be at or close to the optimal number of beds.

While the ultimate decision on allocating new beds rests with the Ministry, LHINs will be part of the review process and will provide recommendations on bed locations.

Staff will continue to consider options and discuss opportunities with the Ministry and the LHIN. At this time, planning for redevelopment will continue based on the Council resolution for a 160-bed facility and information around future application intakes for new beds will be provided to the Committee when it is available.

**Other Alternatives Considered:**

Staff could bring forward a request to City Council to submit an application for an increased number of beds as part of redevelopment. Based on information provided to date, allocating resources to pursue this does not appear to be supported.

**Consultations:**

Central East Local Health Integration Network  
Ministry of Health and Long Term Care

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