

May 18, 2017

Director under the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007  
Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care  
Licensing and Policy Branch  
1075 Bay Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto, ON N5S 2B1

Re: Transfer of Beds from Hillside Manor in Stratford

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County Council of the Corporation of the County of Perth received notification at their Council meeting held on May 18, 2017 of a proposed transfer of up to 50 long-term care beds from Hillside Manor in Perth County outside of Sebringville, to a replacement home to be developed in the City of London.

It is understood that if this proposal is approved, the 50 beds would form part of a 128 bed license for the replacement home with a term of up to 30 years, and that in a few years, Hillside Manor would close its doors. This is extremely upsetting news to Perth County Council. Perth County Council provided direction to communicate their strong opposition to the removal of any long term care beds from the community.

County Council shares the concerns expressed in correspondence received from Perth-Wellington MPP, Randy Pettapiece, which states that without the necessary support from the Province, other long-term care facilities will be unable to make the upgrades which the Province requires for them to stay open. This puts our area at risk of losing even more long-term care beds despite the need.

Perth County Council is requesting the Ministry's support to ensure that long-term care beds will stay within our communities.

Sincerely,

Mert Schneider  
Warden

cc: Randy Pettapiece, MPP Perth-Wellington  
South West Local Health Integration Network (LHIN)