



# The Regional Municipality of Durham

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There are no Advisory Committee Minutes

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## The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

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From: Commissioner of Works  
Report: [#2019-INFO-11](#)  
Date: February 22, 2019

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### **Subject:**

Summary of Technical Memorandum: Overview of Ambient Air Monitoring Programs in Durham Region

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### **Recommendation:**

Receive for information.

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### **Report:**

#### **1. Purpose**

1.1 This report provides a summary of the technical memorandum prepared by the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) titled [Overview of Ambient Air Monitoring Programs in Durham Region](#).

#### **2. Background**

2.1 The Municipality of Clarington (Clarington) requested an overview of air monitoring programs in the Regional Municipality of Durham (Region) from the MECP with a focus on particulate matter. In response to Clarington's request, the MECP prepared a technical memorandum, [Overview of Ambient Air Monitoring Programs in Durham Region](#), summarizing air monitoring results between 2013 and 2016. MECP's technical memorandum is posted to the [ambient air page of the project website](https://www.durhamyorkwaste.ca/Documents/MonitoringPlansReports/AmbientAir.aspx) (<https://www.durhamyorkwaste.ca/Documents/MonitoringPlansReports/AmbientAir.aspx>).

2.2 To prepare the memorandum, MECP reviewed data generated at ambient air stations operated by local stakeholders and the provincial and federal governments. The stakeholder stations include those operated by the Durham York Energy Centre (DYEC) and St. Mary's Cement both located in Clarington, Gerdau Ameristeel Company in the Town of Whitby (Whitby) and Highway 407 East construction located in both Whitby and Clarington. The government-operated air stations reviewed were the Oshawa, Newmarket and Toronto West ambient air monitoring stations operated by the MECP and the Gage and Simcoe ambient air monitoring stations operated by Environment and Climate Change Canada.

2.3 Available air quality data was analyzed for possible trends and to provide a picture of the general air quality throughout Clarington. The data was compared to Ontario Ambient Air Quality Criteria (AAQC) and Canadian Ambient Air Quality Standards (CAAQS).

### **3. Summary of Technical Memorandum Observations**

3.1 Review of the data between 2013 and 2016 indicates background sources have changed in southern Clarington over the observation period mainly due to changes in local activities near the monitors. In every air monitoring network there are multiple sources contributing to the observations at each station making it almost impossible to attribute measurements to a single source.

3.2 Analysis of the data and comparison to other government-operated air monitoring stations shows that air quality in the Region is similar to that of other urban settings in Ontario and the Greater Toronto Area.

3.3 MECP findings show that the pollutants monitored are below the CAAQS and AAQC except for a few 24-hour average PM<sub>2.5</sub> and benzo(a)pyrene (BaP) exceedances. However, PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations in the Region are similar to other urban settings with similar PM<sub>2.5</sub> and BaP exceedances seen across southern Ontario ambient air monitoring stations. Measurements of both pollutants are influenced by construction dust, diesel equipment (construction and agricultural), mobile traffic and residential or commercial wood burning.

3.4 The MECP technical memorandum states that increases in elevated PM<sub>2.5</sub> events at DYEC air monitoring stations in 2015 and 2016 are likely due to meteorological changes combined with changes in local activities (Highway 407 East construction and road realignments near the Rundle Road Ambient Air Monitoring Station). BaP exceedances at DYEC monitoring stations were more frequent when the winds were originating from upwind of the DYEC facility indicating the background BaP concentrations at both DYEC monitoring stations are most likely due to traffic, construction equipment and residential or commercial wood burning.

#### **4. Conclusion**

4.1 The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' technical memorandum concludes that data from stakeholder monitoring stations and corresponding wind patterns indicate the Durham York Energy Centre and other industrial sources are not the only contributors to air quality issues. Construction activities, residential and commercial, and agricultural and transportation sources contribute significantly to the air quality measurements observed at the Regional Municipality of Durham's monitoring stations.

4.2 Analysis indicates air quality in the Regional Municipality of Durham, including the Municipality of Clarington, is similar to that of other urban settings in southern Ontario.

4.3 Air monitoring stations are influenced by all sources in an area. The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks indicates that although results are representative of local conditions, the contribution of any individual source to local air quality cannot be definitively determined.

4.4 The memorandum highlights that ambient air monitoring stations operated by stakeholders were established for specific purposes. The air monitoring stations are not designed to reflect the general air quality for the entire Municipality of Clarington area or the broader Regional Municipality of Durham.

4.5 For additional information, please contact Gioseph Anello, Manager, Waste Planning and Technical Services, at 905-668-7711 extension 3445.

Respectfully submitted,

**Original signed by:**

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Susan Siopis, P.Eng.  
Commissioner of Works

If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2745



## The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

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From: Commissioner of Social Services  
Report: [#2019-INFO-12](#)  
Date: February 22, 2019

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**Subject:**

Long-Term Care Homes Annual Year in Review 2018

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**Recommendation:**

Receive for information

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**Report:**

**1. Purpose**

- 1.1 The Long-Term Care Homes Annual Year in Review Report is attached to this report.
- 1.2 For additional information, contact: Laura MacDermaid, at 905-668-7711, extension 2704.

**2. Attachments**

Attachment #1: Long-Term Care Homes Annual Year in Review Report 2018

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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**Dr. Hugh Drouin**  
Commissioner of Social Services

## **Long-Term Care and Services for Seniors 2018 ANNUAL REPORT**

Submitted by: Michael MacDonald, Administrator, Lakeview Manor  
Gina Peragine, Administrator, Hillsdale Estates  
John Rankin, Administrator, Hillsdale Terraces  
Marcey Wilson, Administrator, Fairview Lodge

The Region of Durham (ROD) operates a total of 845 long stay and 2 respite beds in 4 long-term care (LTC) homes, Fairview Lodge, Hillsdale Estates, Hillsdale Terraces and Lakeview Manor. We provide care and services in accordance with the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007 and other relevant legislation. Our division also manages 2 Adult Day Programs (ADP) operating from 3 sites offering supervised social and recreational group programming to adults over 18 years old. The Hillsdale Estates ADP is a designated cognitive program with staff and volunteers specially trained in dementia care and therapeutic practices. In 2018, our ADP programs provided service to 152 clients in the community.

In May of 2018, our homes and adult day programs participated in our first multi-sited external peer review of our quality, risk and safety programs. The division received exemplary status from Accreditation Canada, the highest award.

The homes continue to refine required programs and implement and evaluate new processes to provide high quality care and service excellence to residents in an environment that promotes choice, dignity and respect.

We remain dedicated to fulfilling the Mission, Vision and Values set in our Strategic Plan. The achievements in 2018 confirm the commitment to the Philosophy of Care:

We believe that quality of life is achieved through person-centred care and through empowering, embracing and engaging each individual.

The following report highlights our accomplishments falling under each of the 4 strategic themes within our Strategic Plan 2015-2018. We are also reporting on relevant demographic data as well as key risk indicators.

### **Life with Meaning**

Our LTC homes continued to use the National Research Corporation Health (NRCH) survey to measure resident and family satisfaction. This research-based survey allows LTC homes across Canada to measure and review the needs of the home from the client's experience and perspective and to benchmark against other similar homes. This year all families were mailed the family survey and 33 per cent provided feedback. The ROD homes rated 89 per cent overall in resident satisfaction and 92.2 per cent overall in family satisfaction. This compares to the Long-Term Care Canada average of 83.7 per cent and 91.1 per cent respectfully. The homes will focus on priority areas to improve care and experience as part of our continuous quality improvement efforts.

The LTC homes continued to work on the development of a person-centred care (PCC) framework, approach and model in 2018. The purpose of this priority area is to engage all

stakeholders in a reflective and exploratory process to identify existing strengths of innovative person-centred care and identify areas of growth and opportunities for change. Building a culture of PCC means that the resident is in full control of the care and services they receive, identifying what they need and what has meaning to them as an individual. The priority for 2018 was to focus on engaging and collecting as much PCC feedback directly from the resident and family stakeholders. This was achieved by creating and distributing a qualitative survey to the residents and families in addition to the yearly satisfaction survey. These survey results provided the division with an abundance of information and/or data. The homes worked closely with the Social Service's Innovation and Research team to analyze the data and 4 major themes emerged: Relationships, Teamwork, Empowerment and Meaning. Each stakeholder group provided several examples and ideas that highlight how these themes could guide the planning of care and services. The concept of consistency was highly important to these stakeholders within each theme; consistency especially amongst any key stakeholder that is connecting with residents on a regular basis. The division will use this information to inform the new strategic plan that will be developed in the beginning of 2019. It will be the base upon which the homes build key action plans from a PCC perspective.

The homes continued to work with Behaviour Supports Ontario (BSO). BSO is focused on helping older people with responsive behaviours associated with cognitive impairments due to complex mental health, addictions, dementia, or other neurological conditions and their caregivers. In 2018, almost 60 per cent of the 845 long stay residents living within the homes have exhibited responsive behaviours. Each resident is assessed with specific tools and each support plan is unique. The homes work with BSO to ensure behaviours are 'responsive' in nature in order to develop the appropriate interventions. All homes receive Central East Local Health Integration Network (CE LHIN) funding through the BSO initiative to support positions dedicated to working with residents with responsive behaviours. The homes also continue to work very closely with Ontario Shores Centre for Mental Health Science and Durham Region Seniors' Safety Advisor to evaluate incidents and develop strategies to address responsive behaviours and resident aggression.

Fairview Lodge and Hillsdale Terraces introduced an innovative program for residents who are experiencing anxiety called "Dancing in the Moment". The 8-week program focused on residents understanding what anxiety is, how it affects a person physically and how to identify cognitive distortions to assist with managing the symptoms.

It is well documented that moving into a new environment can be an emotional adjustment for new residents and their families. In 2018, the homes continuous quality improvement initiative of reviewing the current admission process in the homes. The goal of this initiative was to reduce the time it takes to admit a new resident and increase the satisfaction of the admission process. The project, piloted at Fairview Lodge in 2017, was continued at Hillsdale Terraces and resulted in an increase of satisfaction from residents and families on the admission process by 6 per cent from 85 per cent to 91 per cent.

A divisional advisory council was implemented to serve in an advisory capacity, working in partnership with the Region of Durham LTC homes to ensure that the needs and priorities for person-centred care are considered and incorporated into matters that impact residents and their families.

In 2018 a project proposal was submitted for a dementia community grant. This project, if



accepted, would focus on developing/sustaining accessible person-centred care to residents throughout the stages of their dementia. We would work closely with our community partners.

In 2018, the homes continued to review and ensure accuracy of data and documentation in order to improve the Case Mix Index (CMI) which has direct impact on the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) funding the homes receive. The homes' current internal assessments validate an overall increase in the CMI as a result of this focus and work.

### **Great People Doing Great Things**

In 2018, the senior leadership team continued to work on developing leadership capacity and reinforce position accountability. The work on clarifying roles and assigning accountability particularly in the nursing departments continued to be a focus with four divisional meetings attended by administrators and nursing leadership to discuss "The Future State of Nursing". These sessions focused on drafting the ideal structures and roles that would be implemented across all four homes. This work will continue into 2019.

A significant challenge in long term care is the recruitment and retention of quality staff. A task force was struck with representation from Long Term Care and Corporate Services - Human Resources. Over the coming year this group will be looking at ways to improve recruitment, on-boarding and retention among other things.

Another focus in this area for 2018 was improving communication, specifically with residents and family members. A digital media strategy was developed in consultation with corporate communications and work is underway to improve the unique website presence of each home.

The homes continued to monitor trends and current best practices in LTC. In 2018 new policies were created and implemented to address emerging and changing issues in the sector that include medical assistance in dying (MAiD) and recreational and medical cannabis use. These policies also help guide staff and assist in fostering a culture of person-centered care.

### **Peace of Mind**

In 2018, the homes continued to work on our bed rail minimization program. Our work has resulted in a 50 per cent reduction in the use of bedrails, from 83 per cent in January 2016 to the current 41 per cent. In 2019, we will continue to reduce and manage the use of bedrails as safely as possible.

Seasonal influenza is a serious public health problem that causes severe illness and death in high risk populations. The most effective way to prevent the disease is vaccination. This year the division continued to focus on initiatives to increase the number of staff that received their influenza vaccination. These initiatives were very successful, seeing the divisional flu shot compliance increase from the 2016 rate of 56 per cent to the 2018 rate of 79 per cent.

The homes continued to increase knowledge of our "Morale Program" throughout the

homes. This program was developed to provide staff with tools to assist staff with work life balance.

The homes completed a third-party security audit, the audit identified potential risks, both internally and external (lighting, lack of video surveillance, lock down processes etc.) The homes will continue to work together to mitigate the risks that were identified.

The homes realize the growing number of residents being admitted into our homes with behaviors adding an increased risk of harm. We have initiated a trial workplace violence flagging system in one of our homes, this program will trigger staff as to residents potentially exhibiting behaviors.

## **Building Our Future**

Long-term care continues to evolve, and the technology used to deliver care and services continues to improve.

The homes partnered with the Finance Department, the Region of Durham Paramedic Services (RDPS), and Corporate Services – Human Resources to implement an Enterprise Workforce Scheduling (EWS) software solution, this will be implemented in all four homes in the spring of 2019. Key features of the software are its capability to manage all schedules in a 24-hour operation, automate basic attendance, call-in, vacation bidding and payroll functions, and improve reporting and tracking components.

The division implemented new software for resident electronic health records. The implementation of the new health record system will streamline our documentation for resident's charts, in anticipation of increased funding to the homes.

The homes continue to improve technology, in the past year we have had upgrades to our telephone systems (e.g. VoIP and Nurse Call upgrades), implemented Activity Pro that assists programing that enhances the recreational experience, and Air Media (i.e. wireless technology for presentations and education).

In 2018, the homes completed our first full year of online education, this resulted in 100 per cent of our staff completing their mandatory education. In previous years, compliance averaged approximately 95 per cent.

The homes continue to improve residents care, implementing technology that will enhance residents documentation and ADL's (activities of daily living). In 2019, the four homes will be implementing new technology, such as Point of Care (bedside documentation), eMAR (medication distribution and documentation), skin and wound technology, and an upgraded nurse call system in one of the four homes.

## **Demographics**

The ROD homes care for 845 long stay residents. Collectively, the homes had 251 admissions and 257 discharges in 2017. Our wait lists remain high with between 214 to 605 applicants selecting one of our homes as their first choice for placement. The total number of applicants on our waitlists at year end ranged from 264 to over 1,480. Occupancy rates

remain over 98 per cent.

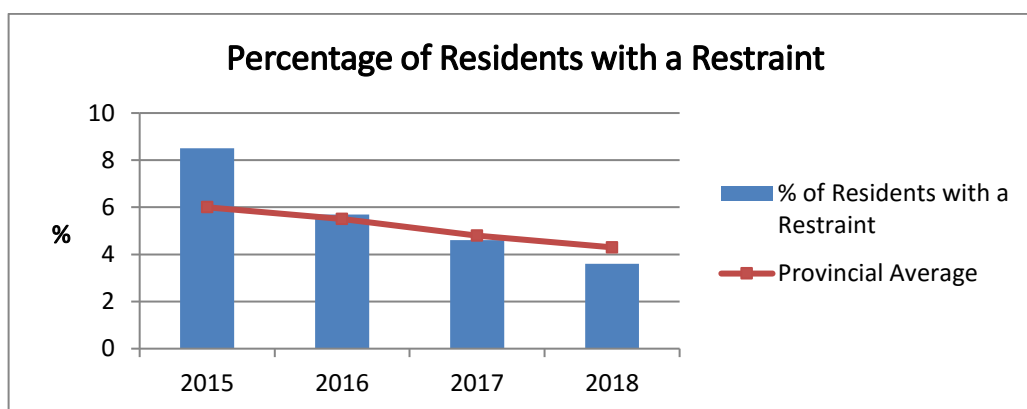
A diagnosis of dementia is confirmed for 72 per cent of the residents in ROD homes. This is higher than the provincial average of 62 per cent. The average age of the resident is 84. Approximately 6 per cent of the population is under the age of 65.

### Priority Risk Indicators

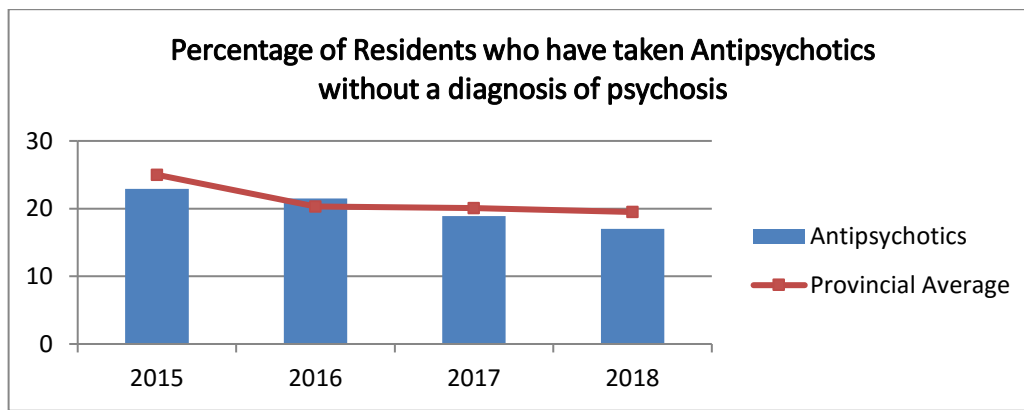
Under the mandate of the Excellent Care for All Act, each of our homes submits a quality improvement plan to Health Quality Ontario. The priority risk indicators that make up our quality improvement plans are restraints, antipsychotic use, falls and avoidable emergency department visits.

All homes in Ontario contribute to the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) data to benchmark and analyze care and service delivery. This supports the homes prioritization in quality improvement and project planning. (The provincial data referenced below is from the most recent CIHI report for the period ending September 2018).

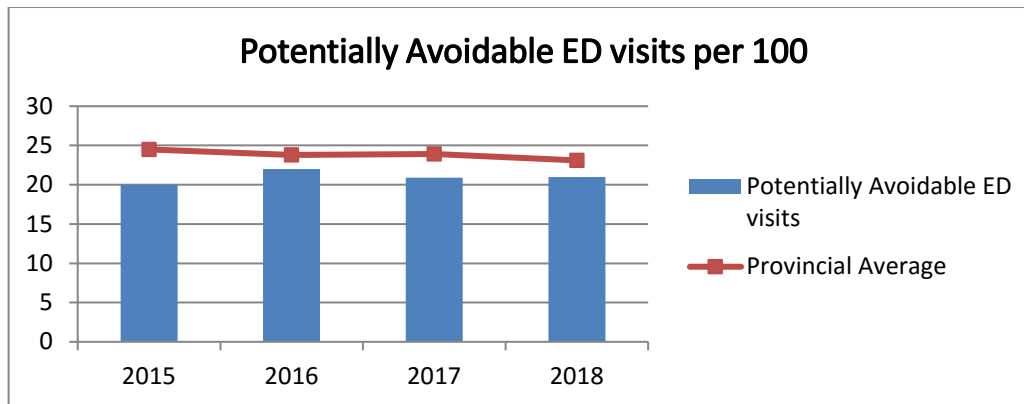
Physical restraints are designed to restrict voluntary movement or behaviour by use of a device or physical force because of a potential for injury to self or others and only when all other strategies have been attempted and proven unsuccessful. Our homes have evaluated the necessity of restraints and have reduced the overall usage down from 8 per cent in 2015 to 3.6 per cent in 2018. This is below the provincial rate of 4.3 per cent.



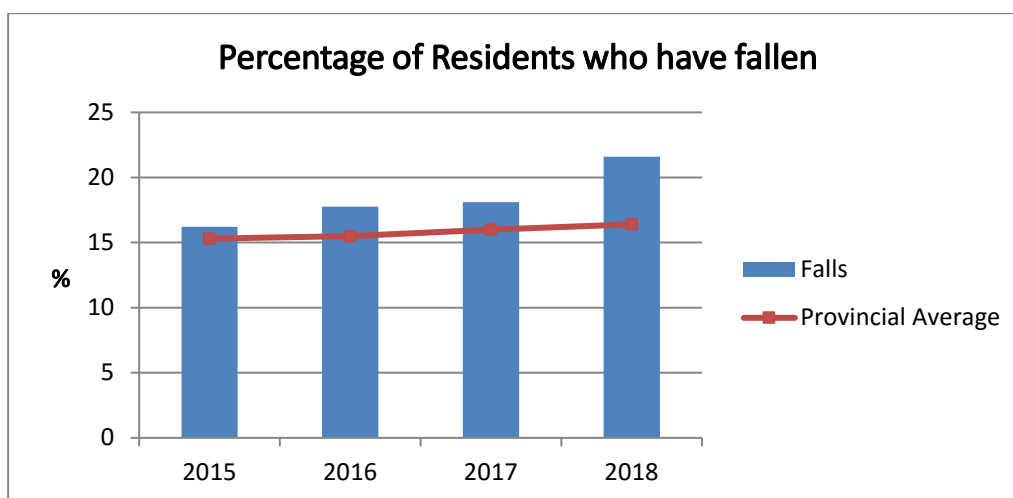
Over the last year we continued to see a positive downward trend in the percentage of residents on antipsychotics without a diagnosis of psychosis across the ROD homes. An Antipsychotic Evaluation tool was implemented in 2015; this work continued throughout 2018. The goal is to ensure there is an ongoing indication for use and that the medication is working effectively and is tolerated by the resident. The homes work with the consultant pharmacists on a quarterly basis to review team recommendations for dosage adjustments and/or discontinuations where appropriate. Ultimately, the downward trend over the last 3 years shows that the homes are committed to ensuring that antipsychotics are being used judiciously and only when appropriate. In 2018, our rate was 17 per cent, down from 23 per cent in 2015. The provincial average is 20 per cent.



Many of the Emergency Department (ED) visits among residents in LTC who have access to around-the-clock supervised care, basic treatment and preventive care on-site are considered potentially avoidable. For many types of conditions, early identification and treatment can help prevent residents' health from deteriorating to the point where an ED visit is required. By identifying and targeting types of ED visits that could be potentially avoidable residents' quality of care could be enhanced and ED resources could be more closely targeted to those who need them the most. All the ROD LTC homes remain under the provincial average for potentially avoidable ED visits.



A final risk indicator is the percent of residents who fell. Our fall rate has increased from 16.2 per cent to 21.6 per cent in 2018. This compares unfavorably to the provincial rate of 16.5 per cent. The increased complexity of our residents does contribute to this and this area will continue to be a considerable focus in 2019.



### Looking Forward

The residents living in long-term care continue to have very diverse and complex medical and psychological care needs. We will continue to look at the resources required to ensure our staff have the necessary ongoing training and education to effectively care for these residents.

We will be developing a new strategic plan for 2019-2022. This plan will help to set a direction for our work in the next few years.

We will continue to promote programs that foster person-centered care (PCC) and ultimately support the resident to achieve an independent lifestyle as much as possible.

Quality improvement efforts will continue in areas of high risk to resident and staff safety. Incidents of resident-to-resident assault and resident-to-staff violence continues to be a concern. Working with our BSO teams and Joint Occupational Health and Safety committees, we will be rolling out our successfully piloted flagging system for staff to more readily identify residents with unpredictable, violent behaviours. As part of this program, we will be training staff in appropriate responses to protect both residents and staff from injury.

We continue to work with our community partners and advocacy allies such as AdvantAge Ontario to advocate for specialized programs and specialized behavioral units to more effectively manage the care needs of person with dementia that exhibit violent behaviour. From a sector perspective, we also support the need to increase the provincial average to 4 hours of care per resident per day.

In conclusion, we wish to acknowledge the dedication of staff, physicians, and volunteers to the provision of high quality care and services to our residents and their families as well as the hard work of Resident Council and Family Council. We are also appreciative of the ongoing support we receive from members of Regional Council.



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In The Regional Municipality of Durham

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## **SENT VIA EMAIL**

February 11, 2019

Regional Municipality of Durham  
Clerk's Department  
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**RE: RESOLUTION NO. 2019-03 – ACCESSIBLE ADAPTABLE HOUSING  
TOWNSHIP FILE: A-16 RGG**

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Please be advised that during the regular meeting of Council of February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 the following motion was carried;

THAT the following City of Oshawa resolution, regarding Addressing Affordable Accessible Housing Needs in Ontario, be endorsed by the Township of Uxbridge:

WHEREAS on May 14, 2018, Oshawa City Council held its annual special meeting to allow the public the opportunity to provide their views and/or concerns regarding accessibility issues;

AND WHEREAS a number of public comments received at this meeting related to the need to consider providing more accessible housing units including those that are affordable;

AND WHEREAS there is a need to consider such matters as providing accessible model home designs/concepts in new home sales office and to advance a discussion on providing more flexible and universal housing designs that can allow seniors and others that's have accessibility challenges over time to be able to age in place without the need to move;

AND WHEREAS it is important to ask the Province to consult with the building and development industry and municipalities to see if there are ways to advance the affordable accessible housing discussion to address the needs of Ontario residents including a review of the Ontario Building Code as appropriate;



THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

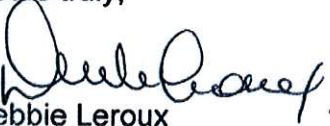
THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to consult with the building and development industry and municipalities to determine practical and appropriate ways to address the affordable accessible housing needs in Ontario which may include a review of the Ontario Building Code;

AND THAT the Township work with AMO and CMHC to encourage other Ontario municipalities to express their support for a provincial accessible and adaptable housing program;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be provided to the Premier of Ontario, all M.P.P.s in the Region of Durham, the Region of Durham, all local municipalities in the Region of Durham, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Building Industry and Land Development Association, the Ontario Association of Architects, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, the Ontario Non-Profit Housing Association and the Accessibility Directorate of Ontario.

I trust you will find the above to be satisfactory.

Yours truly,



Debbie Leroux  
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk  
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Sent to: Premier, Province of Ontario  
Leader, New Democratic Party of Ontario, Province of Ontario  
Leader, Green Party of Ontario, Province of Ontario  
Interim Leader, Ontario Liberal Party, Province of Ontario  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Province of Ontario  
Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Province of Ontario  
Minister of Labour, Province of Ontario  
Minister of Education, Province of Ontario  
Greater Golden Horseshoe Municipalities,  
Executive Director, Association of Municipalities of Ontario

c. City Manager

## City Council

### Member Motions - Meeting 2

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| MM2.10 | ACTION | Adopted |  | Ward: All |
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### **Protecting the City of Toronto against potential impacts of the Government of Ontario's Bill 66 - by Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Ana Bailão**

#### **City Council Decision**

City Council on January 30 and 31, 2019, adopted the following:

1. City Council express its opposition to Schedule 3 of Bill 66.
2. City Council express its opposition to Schedule 5 of Bill 66.
3. City Council express its opposition to Schedule 9 of Bill 66.
4. City Council express its opposition to Schedule 10 of Bill 66 or any similar successor sections or schedules within Bill 66.
5. City Council request that, following the adoption of Bill 66 by the Province, the City Manager report back to City Council on the impacts of the legislation on the City of Toronto.
6. City Council direct the City Clerk to distribute City Council's decision in opposition to Schedules 3, 5, 9 and 10 of Bill 66 to the leaders of all parties represented in the Ontario Legislature, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the Minister of Labour, the Minister of Education, all Greater Golden Horseshoe municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

#### **Summary**

The Government of Ontario has introduced Bill 66, an Act amending or repealing various other Acts that could have lasting impact on City of Toronto residents, the planning process, the natural environment, food security, workers, and child welfare.

Schedule 3 of the Bill could put at risk young children in the care of home child care providers. Through changes to the Child Care and Early Years Act and the Education Act, the legislation would allow an increase in the number of very young children in the care of each home childcare provider, which could compromise the quality of care and increase the risk of accidental injury or death.

Schedule 5 repeals the Toxics Reduction Act, 2009, and associated regulations that require Ontario companies to publicly report on their use and release of toxic substances and develop feasible reduction plans. Taking away the responsibility to inform the public and reduce

harmful chemicals found in our workplaces, consumer products and local communities puts human health and the environment at risk.

Schedule 9 amends the Labour Relations Act, 1995, to deem municipalities and certain local boards, school boards, hospitals, colleges, universities and public bodies to be non-construction employers. That would mean that any collective agreement binding the employer and the trade union ceases to apply in so far as it applies to the construction industry.

This would mean not only a lowering of quality of jobs in the City, but there could be potential risks to the public if unqualified and untrained workers were to be responsible for projects related to construction and other infrastructure projects in the City.

Schedule 10 of the proposed legislation would amend the Planning Act to allow municipalities to pass by-laws without public notice that could override important drinking water, agricultural and environmental protections contained in the Clean Water Act, 2006, Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Act, 2001, the Greenbelt Act, 2005, the Places to Grow Act, 2005, and other provincial legislation.

The Greenbelt is an integral component of land use planning that complements the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe to encourage smart regional planning and sustainable communities, reduce urban sprawl, and protect natural and hydrological features and agricultural lands. Furthermore, protections like those included in the Clean Water Act are critical to the health of residents of Toronto.

### **Background Information (City Council)**

Member Motion MM2.10

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2019/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-123945.pdf>)

**Afreen Raza**

**From:** Cheryl Bandel  
**Sent:** February-19-19 2:36 PM  
**To:** Clerks  
**Subject:** FW: EB-2018-0205 Enbridge Gas Inc. - 2019 Federal Carbon Pricing Program Application  
**Attachments:** 20190213 Notice\_Enbridge Gas Inc\_FCPP.pdf; 20190213 Notice\_Enbridge Gas Inc\_FCPP\_FR.pdf; EnbridgeGasInc\_APPL\_2019 Federal Carbon Pricing Program\_20190111.pdf

**C.S. - LEGISLATIVE SERVICES**

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**From:** Bonnie Adams <Bonnie.Adams@enbridge.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 1:47 PM  
**Subject:** EB-2018-0205 Enbridge Gas Inc. - 2019 Federal Carbon Pricing Program Application

Good Afternoon,

On January 1, 2019, Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and Union Gas Limited amalgamated to form Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas).

Enbridge Gas has applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) for approval to increase rates to recover costs associated with meeting its obligations under the Federal Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act (Act). The Act establishes a carbon pricing program under which Enbridge Gas is required to pay a carbon charge to the federal government for volumes of natural gas that Enbridge Gas delivers to customers starting April 1, 2019. The Act also imposes other obligations on Enbridge Gas related to emissions from the operation of its natural gas distribution system starting January 1, 2019.

On February 13, 2019, the OEB issued the Notice of Application (Notice) for this proceeding. The OEB's Notice provides information for interested parties on how to become informed and involved in the proceeding.

Interested parties can apply to the OEB for Intervenor Status in the proceeding by March 13, 2019.

Attached please find the OEB's Notice of Application (English and French) along with the application and evidence filed by Enbridge Gas.

The application and evidence can also be viewed via the website links provided below:

- Enbridge Gas Distribution (under the Other Regulatory Proceeding tab) – [EB-2018-0187/EB-2018-0205 - 2019 Federal Carbon Pricing Program](#)
- Union Gas - [EB-2018-0187/EB-2018-0205 - 2019 Federal Carbon Pricing Program](#)

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the OEB Notice of Application and the application filed by Enbridge Gas.

Sincerely,

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**Enbridge Gas Inc. has applied to raise its natural gas rates effective April 1, 2019 to recover costs associated with the Federal Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act.**

**Learn more. Have your say.**

The Ontario Energy Board approved the amalgamation of Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and Union Gas Limited in August 2018. The companies have amalgamated to form Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas).

Enbridge Gas has applied to the Ontario Energy Board for approval to increase rates to recover costs associated with meeting its obligations under the Federal *Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act (Act)*. The Act establishes a carbon pricing program under which Enbridge Gas is required to pay a carbon charge to the federal government for volumes of natural gas that Enbridge Gas delivers to customers starting April 1, 2019. The Act also imposes other obligations on Enbridge Gas related to emissions from the operation of its natural gas distribution system starting January 1, 2019.

If the application is approved as filed, the bill of a typical residential customer within the former Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and Union Gas Limited rate zones will increase by the following amounts per year:

| Rate Zone    | Residential Annual Bill Increase |
|--------------|----------------------------------|
| Enbridge Gas | \$93.93                          |
| Union South  | \$86.21                          |
| Union North  | \$86.18                          |

Other customers, including small businesses, would also be affected.

**THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING**

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider Enbridge Gas' request. We will also hear questions and arguments from individual customers and from groups that represent Enbridge Gas' customers. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide what rate change will be allowed.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

**BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY**

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review Enbridge Gas' application on the OEB's website now.
- You can file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing.
- You can become an active participant (called an intervenor). Apply by **March 13, 2019** or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.
- At the end of the process, you can review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website.

**LEARN MORE**

Our file number for this case is **EB-2018-0205**. To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file letters or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case, please enter the file number **EB-2018-0205** on the OEB website: [www.oeb.ca/notice](http://www.oeb.ca/notice). You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

**ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS**

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. The OEB will determine at a later date whether to proceed by way of a written or oral hearing. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **March 13, 2019**.

**PRIVACY**

*If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.*

*This rate hearing will be held under section 36 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B).*



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