

Request for Delegation

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REASON(S) FOR DELEGATION REQUEST (SUBJECT MATTER TO BE DISCUSSED) Address Report "Affordable Housing: Investments Needed to Close the Gap" Meeting 2023-05-11 Regional Council. Housing and Supported Housing for Caledon.	
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CAFFI (Caledon Area Families for Inclusion) Delegation to the Region of Peel.

May 11th, 2023 meeting

Topic: Affordable Housing: Investments needed to close the gap.

Speaking notes: Presenters: Patricia Franks (in person), Tina Liscio (Virtual), Mike Brunetto (Virtual)

Caledon Area Families for Inclusion is a network of persons with differing abilities, their families and community members who support community inclusion.

Tina, Mike and I are volunteer advocates with CAFFI, and family members, who are here to give voice to the issue of social housing.

The Region of Peel recently received a generous increase in funding from the Provincial Government to address the affordable housing issue.

Through this report, presented to Council today, the presentation to Council later, and the wave of news reports, we know we have a housing crisis.

Not the rich, not the CEO's, executives, not those who own their own home.... They are all fine.

This is a crisis of the poor, of renters, of persons with differing abilities, the homeless, and the forgotten.

Since Municipalities are responsible for social and supported affordable housing, it is incumbent upon this Council to take a real leadership role. Affordable meaning no more than 30% of household income on rent.

There has been particular neglect when addressing housing for persons with differing abilities, the human dignity these adults are entitled to under the UN charter of Human Rights, in particular the rights to housing and supports to live full lives.

The Federal Housing Advocate, Marie-Josée Houle, shared a call-to-action around the right to adequate housing in Canada--our governments have the obligation to protect and fulfill this right. The human-rights-based approach requires ensuring human dignity, non-discrimination, participation among people with lived experience, and access to justice. (Canadian Housing and Renewal Association Congress)

This report indicates the wholly inadequate workings of a system meeting less than 20% of the needs in Peel. Even less in the Municipality of Caledon. We contend this is still an incomplete picture.

Many families have given up on wait lists. Wait times for available supported housing vary from 10 years to 40 years depending on where you want to live in Peel. The wait list systems and how to access the right one is unclear.

Then there are those individuals who need supported care for which no options currently exist.

Council should clearly understand the needs of these individuals and the challenges, burdens and frustrations of the families behind the report statistics.

At age 21, adults with differing abilities leave high school and are expected, by the system to "find their way in the world", the live work and play mantra, in their home communities.

Live where? Over 90% live at home with their parents or other family members.

As these adults age so do their parents so 80-year-olds are still caring for 40/50-year-olds, compounding not only the issue of lack of available, sustainable, affordable housing options, but the supports and care required by both generations.

No time or opportunity has been given to these families for transition toward supported independence for the person with challenges.

The lack of...lack of...lack of...produces an end result of greater burdens on everyone.

Shipping people out of their home communities for convenience or dumping individuals in long term care facilities is not the answer either. Yet the system currently does this.

What to do.

Our housing challenges cannot be addressed if we don't work together. (<u>Romy Bowers</u> of CMHC and <u>Ray Sullivan</u>.)

"the challenge for the housing "crisis" in Canada is not to find solutions, but rather, to "enact the solutions we know work:

(move as much provision as possible outside of private markets; tightly regulate the remaining market provision; organize tenants to ensure quality and access.")

"we should be focusing on non-profit housing. Governments should be intervening to remove profit from housing, instead of subsidizing private developers in the hopes that they will provide some discounted housing as part of their developments." (In Ricardo Tranjan's new book The Tenant Class,)

There are real possibilities for Peel.

Forge partnerships: Real public/private building developments in the interest of building communities not just houses, with a requirement for a number of units dedicated to the social housing stock for use to support individuals with differing abilities.

Keep social housing in the not-for-profit realm to protect the long-term health and wellbeing of the occupants.

We have seen the results of for-profit institutions of the people they are supposed to serve...Profit before care.

Make it easier, not harder, for the Municipal partnerships to incentivize projects where the savings go back into housing not red tape. Make the best use of the funding.

Insist in the planning of new developments within communities that units must be built to address the social and supported housing needs.

Without a housing stock, there are no housing options for persons with differing abilities.

Without mixed use rental buildings, there won't be affordable supported options.

Peel has agreed to build, Caledon has agreed to build.

CAFFI is asking for leadership serving all the residents of this region.

Build inclusive communities not just subdivisions

Include housing requirements so the regional government has long term sustainable housing stock for social and supported housing for all its residents with differing abilities.

CAFFI is looking for choice, sustainable affordable supported housing options so their loved ones can live work and play in their home communities and thrive, living a full and dignified life.