

310 Division Street Community Liaison Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: June 3, 2025

Time: 5pm- 7pm

Location: 600 William St Cobourg, Boardroom

Attendees:

Facilitators:

- Chloe Craig, CLC Cochair

Community Members:

- Bob LeDrew
- Kendra Simmons
- Kim Gay (virtually)
- Sheri Syer
- Liz Greaves
- Rob James (virtually)
- Catherine White (virtually)

County Representatives:

- Rebecca Carman

Delegates:

- Ike Nwibe, Executive Director, Transition House
- Caroyln Rutherford, Community Health Centres of Northumberland
- Kim Wilkinson, Community Paramedics

Regrets:

- Beth Bellaire, CLC Chair
- Bill Smith, County Representative
- Daniel Gaito, Trinity United Church
- Chris Challenger, Town of Cobourg
- Jennifer Bogart, DBIA
- Meaghan Macdonald, Board Chair, Transition House
- Emma Taylor, Northumberland Hills Hospital Community Mental Health (Maternity leave)
- Janice MacDonald, Cobourg Police Services
- Erisa Katona
- Chris Gorman, OrgCode Consulting Inc.

Meeting called to Order

- Meeting was called to order by CLC Cochair, Chloe Craig

Acknowledgement

- Selected CLC Member provided the land acknowledgment

Meeting Objectives & Agenda Overview

- Previous minutes from May 6 were approved

Shelter Updates

- Shelter Data:
 - Transition House saw 34 Clients in the previous month
 - Some self discharges and others that didn't return
 - 3 Clients discharged for substance usage on site
 - 3 Clients discharged for having drug paraphernalia
 - 1 Client discharged for violent behaviour
- The smoking area was removed to be in compliance with building code
- Data since inception of Transition House in December:
 - 7 Clients found employment
 - 1 Client completed High School
 - 1 Client was transitioned to another facility
 - 3 Clients went to Rehabilitation and thus far have not relapsed
- Transition House helped:
 - 10 Clients get Identification
 - 30 Clients had tax returns completed
 - 5 Clients were approved for ODSP and 5 more are under review
 - 1 Client gained access to Old Age Pension
- 600 meals have been provided since December
- 11 Clients have been successfully housed
- Transition House floor now has 6 Clients
- Upcoming event on June 18 – Hope and Light Outreach is supporting a BBQ June 18 @ 12:00 p.m.
- Union discussion still in process

County Updates

- An update on the Pulse survey was provided
- It will be conducted monthly
- CLC Committee members were given a head's up in regard to some recent news about the possibility of Transition House being converted to a Sober Living Home
 - There is no decision on this yet, staff are drafting report for Council's consideration
 - CLC Members engaged in discussion about what is the difference between Transition House as it is and a Sober Living home

Council Updates

- There was a motion in Council to invite all CLC Committee members to a Town Hall meeting

- The confirmed date is June 17 at 6:00 PM as per email CLC Committee was sent

Community Feedback & Group Education

- No new emails to report on

Subcommittee Updates

- **Subcommittee – Communications**
 - Communications Protocol was approved by the CLC Committee
 - Announcement – Communications Lead will be stepping down
- **Subcommittee – Resources**
 - No significant updates
 - Service group list could us an audit
- **Subcommittee – Education and Awareness**
 - Invitation to Breakfast on June 13 in Grafton
 - Great event with lots of support
- **Subcommittee – Community and Safety**
 - No updates

Unfinished Business

- None documented

Final Discussion & Next Steps

- Review Town Hall agenda and inform CLC Committee Executive Team of intention to attend and in what capacity

Closing Remarks & Adjournment

- Acknowledgement and thanks to everyone