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Wallaceburg Site Redevelopment Project

Opdate from the Project Team

The Stage 1.3: Functional Program submission of the Our Hospital Our Future Wallaceburg Site Redevelopment Project was submitted for approval to the Ministry of Health in December 2022. In March of this year, the Project Team began having conversations with the Ministry's Capital Branch and are currently providing further clarification and details surrounding the project - this is common during the capital submission process. The team looks forward to receiving further updates from the Capital Branch and sharing plans for next steps in the very near future.

Additionally, the Project Team learned in February that the Municipality of Chatham-Kent has committed \$4.5-million from its 2023 budget towards the Wallaceburg Site Redevelopment Project. This request was made in January from CKHA during the Municipality's budget presentations.

Please note, while working on the most recent submission, the Ministry of Health altered the Capital Planning Framework from a 5-stage to a 3-stage approval process. Previous updates and communications may refer to the most recent stage as Stage 2: Functional Program. Based on the new framework, CKHA has submitted Stage 1.3: Functional Program and is awaiting approval from the Ministry to commence Stage 2. For more detail on the new framework and the accompanying stages, visit www.ourhospitalourfuture.com/wallaceburgredevelopment/.

Project Team Feature

Alex Sullo

Introducing Alex Sullo, Director of Facilities and Support Services. Born and raised in Chatham-Kent, Alex has spent the last 20 years working within facilities and redevelopment in various organizations such as Middlesex Hospital Alliance (MHA), Bluewater Health (BWH) and most recently the Brantford Community Health Care

System (BCHS). In his role at BCHS as Sr. Director of Corporate Infrastructure and Redevelopment, Alex advanced Stage 1 planning for a \$25M Emergency Department and a \$850M redevelopment. Prior to his career within the acute care sector, Alex worked in the long term care/retirement industries.

Alex holds a Health Administration/Sr. Long Term Care Management Certificate from the Canadian Health Care Association and attended Fanshawe College in Electrical/Electronics Engineering. Alex possesses technical training as a licensed gas fitter, heavy equipment operator and is a licensed contractor with the Province of Ontario.

Alex's vast practical construction experience comes from growing up in a construction family. Primarily working alongside his father Angelo, who operated a small construction company for over 30+ years in Chatham-Kent.

With his eagerness and passion, Alex is excited to bring his years of experience within the healthcare, construction, and technology industries in assisting his hometown hospital to achieve its goals and strategic directions.





This phase of the redevelopment includes:

- 24/7 Emergency Department
- 6 Medicine Beds including Palliative Bed
- Diagnostic Imaging (X-ray and Ultrasound)
- Laboratory

Did You Know

... there are several short and long term benefits of the Wallaceburg Site Redevelopment Project?

They include:

- Emergency Department footprint double the size of existing department
- Providing stability and job growth
- Investment solidifies 50 year commitment to Wallaceburg
- Expanded facilities means new systems and services
- Increased support from local business
- Access to emergency care
- Provides work to local trades and contractors

Community Engagement

CKHA is now collaborating with Community Engagement Consultants from DIALOG Design. Several interactive staff and community engagement initiatives will be held throughout 2023. Stay tuned for upcoming engagement opportunities!

The results from the community engagement question, "What does 'Hospital' mean to you?", are now posted and available at www.OurHospitalOurFuture.com/engagement.



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Medical Daycare Ribbon-Cutting

On March 2, 2023, Chatham-Kent Health Alliance (CKHA) celebrated the opening of its Medical Daycare service in a newly renovated space at the Wallaceburg Site with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Special guests included Lori Marshall, President and CEO, CKHA; Judy Listhaeghe, Constituent Assistant, Lambton-Kent-Middlesex; Mayor Darrin Canniff, Municipality of Chatham-Kent; Greg Aarssen, CKHA Board Member; Dr. Pervez Faruqi, Chief of Staff, CKHA;Darlene Smith, Patient Advisor, CKHA; and George Viera, Patient, CKHA.

Medical Daycare at the Wallaceburg Site offers outpatient appointments for iron infusions, blood product transfusions, phlebotomy and minor procedures, providing patients with a comfortable space to receive treatment. Medical Daycare typically services oncology patients, obstetric patients and patients referred by their family physician.

This newly renovated space will also be able to support expanded services, which will include Urology clinics and small procedure Surgical clinics. Funding for the Medical Daycare renovation project was provided by the provincial government's Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund (HIRF).

Learn more about this service by visiting: www.ckha.on.ca/ambulatory-care-chatham-andwallaceburg/.











Photo 1: Councillors Aaron Hall and Carmen McGregor with Lori and Mary Lou. Photo 2: Councillors Lauren Anderson and Conor Allin with Lori and Mary Lou. Photo 3: Lori and Mary Lou welcome Mayor Darrin Canniff and CAO Michael Duben. Photo 4: Councillor Brock McGregor tours the hospital with Lori and Mary Lou.

Site Tours with Municipal Officials

Earlier this year, Lori Marshall, President and CEO of CKHA, and Mary Lou Crowley, President and CEO of CKHA Foundation, welcomed municipal leaders to give tours of the hospital and provide information on the Wallaceburg Site Redevelopment Project.



Contact Us

For more information about the Wallaceburg Site Redevelopment Project, please visit our website **OurHospitalOurFuture.com** or contact us at **OurHospitalOurFuture@ckha.on.ca**

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