



August 24th, 2020

Dear Friends and Neighbours,

On July 28th, the Ontario Government announced a collaborative partnership with Lakeridge Health and Infrastructure Ontario to build a new, modern long-term care (LTC) home on the grounds of the Ajax Pickering Hospital using an accelerated build process. We are pleased to provide you with an update on our progress.

On Thursday, August 27th, we are taking the next steps in preparing for the accelerated build process. Site soil assessments will begin, and the work is expected to take about 10 days. We and our government partners are targeting completion of the project in 2021.

Site assessment work will be done during regular business hours. We do not expect significant disruptions for immediate residents; however, there may be some dust particles and noise generated from the soil sampling that will take place. The work will conform to all construction site protocols and when completed all ground disruptions will be safety capped. We are updating our community, particularly local neighbourhood residents, of our progress.

The new LTC home with up to 320 beds will be built using an innovative design/build process. The home's modern design, including best practices in infection prevention and control capabilities and resident living areas will promote the health and safety of seniors with a range of needs and abilities. With this new state of the art facility, Durham Region will have much needed additional long-term care capacity and the community will be able to access high-quality LTC services faster.

Should you have questions or would like more information, please call 905-576-8711 ext. 34167 or email AjaxLTC@lh.ca.

We will continue to update you on this capacity building project, which is helping us deliver on our vision, *One System. Best Health.*

Sincerely,

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