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Subject: Fwd: Shelburne location for LCBO

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Hello Mayor Mills, Deputy Mayor Anderson, Denyse Morrissey and Town Council,

I hope this email finds everyone well.

I am writing on behalf of the board of the Shepherds Cupboard Foodbank. For those who might not know, the foodbanK has been in operation in our town since 1990/91, housed in a number of locations (including town council chambers) before moving to our present location at the Mel Lloyd Centre. We have continued to operate all through COVID although we had to significantly change the way we served our clients. Dufferin County has been very accommodating of our new way of operating, which required additional space to make the hampers we hand out. However, with the reopening of services, we have had to move from some of the areas we had been using there as they begin servicing the public again. Given our numbers have greatly increased since the beginning of COVID, we can no longer offer indoor services at the foodbanK as we struggle to deal with the continued increase in numbers of clients. In all probability, we have outgrown our current location or will in the very near future.

We are not licensed, instead have a partnership with two local churches - Trinity United and COMPASS- and this allows us to offer tax receipts for donations and utilize a charitable number to access grants. The positive side of being unlicensed is we are all volunteers and 100% of donations go to providing food for our clients.

We always were loosely housed under the umbrella of the Shelburne Ministerial however this is no longer in operation. We are fortunate to have as our current chair of the board Rev Valerie Vanderbilt Wiele from Trinity United.

As a board, we have begun to look at the future of the foodbanK and where we could move to.

One possibility that was highlighted is the current LCBO. As it belongs to the Ontario government, I did inquire of Sylvia Jones office the process for determining availability . I have attached the reply - my understanding of it is that charities are given first chance but the land would need to be bought, something the foodbanK could not afford to do.

So, we are turning to the town to inquire and ask you to join us in helping chart the future of

the towns foodbank. First, we are asking for your opinion on the attached memo to be sure our understanding of what it says is correct. Second, we are asking if any of the current developers for the town might consider purchasing the LCBO land and letting us use the current building as the foodbank or third, we are asking if the town would engage with Sylvia Jones in the possibility of the government keeping the land and renting it to us for a nominal fee per year and operate it as the foodbank.

With the continued growth in the town and high housing prices, we continue to see new clients every shift we are open. It's unprecedented and concerning. And we are asking for your assistance in being able to continue to operate until we are no longer needed.

As a board, we meet the third Tuesday of every month. I had submitted this request earlier but did not get a reply yet so am resending it to a larger grouping in the hopes that we will have some communication by our next board meeting. We have always looked at the town as a partner in our operations and hope you too have recognized the necessity of the services we provide.

Thanking you in advance for taking the time to consider our requests.

All the best,

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Trask, Lavinia" <lavinia.trask@pc.ola.org>

Date: December 2, 2021 at 3:14:04 PM EST

To: "[ardithdunlop](#)

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Ardith

I received this information from Ministry of Finance on what happens with building's owned by the province. I hope this information points you in the right direction:

The LCBO store in Shelburne will be processed for sale shortly.

Under the Province's Realty Directive, any provincial government property that is deemed no longer needed for government programs and services is first circulated to other levels of government, registered eligible not-for-profit corporations, public colleges and universities, school boards and eligible indigenous communities for potential direct sales. If none of the above entities expresses an interest in acquiring the surplus property, it may be sold to the public by an external real estate broker, through an open and competitive process. This is called an Open Market Sale.

Properties that are identified as Open Market Sales are listed for sale on Infrastructure Ontario's website, generally for 30 days prior to accepting any offers. You can contact the property's Broker directly or the Infrastructure Ontario Sales Manager for information on the property your constituent may have an interest in.

For more information on the disposition process of provincial property, please

see: <https://www.infrastructureontario.ca/Property-Sales-Process/>

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