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Council, Corporation of the Town of Kingsville

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Physician Location, Physician Recruitment, Retention, Contracts, Budget & Leamington Area Family Health Team L. D.M.H.

In 1933 when my grandfather (Dr. L. C. Hillis) was Mayor of Kingsville he practiced family medicine from his home on Queen Street. Dr. Bliss had an office in his home on Main Street East. Many of us may recall Doctors Jenner and Brunner and their service to the community.

When Kingsville wanted to increase, and improve Medical Service to the Community with expanded offices and the potential to attract more Doctors.

Council of the day:

- Had Council representatives meet with two local Doctors
- Then developed the support construction contract for the Shopper Site
- This was followed by the second development or support (59 Main Street E)

Each of these two medical office sites appears to be linked to the Leamington Area Family Health Team.

Why bring that up?

Recent Windsor Star Article of February 28, 2017 notes not only the possible name change of Leamington District Memorial Hospital but also the potential merger of the many back room activities of the LDMH and Family Health team including "finance, human resources, information technology, ...and overall management".

If our goal is Physician Recruitment and Retention, then it may require us to enter direct discussion with the Family Health Team prior to signing any new contract or lease with any new building developer.

I respectfully ask Council and Administration to consider any potential changes of the Leamington Area Family Health Team may have on our Community.

Respectfully Submitted for the Consideration and receipt by Council

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