



## Staff Report

**Report Title: Minister Delegation Topics 2024**

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**Department: Legislative Services**

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**Attachments: None**

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### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receive Report CLK-2024-03-12 as prepared by Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk.

### **Background:**

Members of Council recently had the opportunity to meet with Provincial Ministers and their staff on local matters at the Rural Ontario Municipal Association Conference. It is anticipated that a similar opportunity to request a delegation to Ministers will be provided at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference which will take place in Ottawa August 18-21.

To provide Staff with sufficient time to prepare Ministers briefs, and to identify collaboration opportunities with other local or similar rural municipalities, this report solicits feedback from Council as to topics of local interest which would benefit from such advocacy.

### **Discussion:**

Conferences attended by members of Council may have the opportunity to request a meeting (known as a delegation) with a Provincial Minister and their staff. This is an opportunity for members of Council to advocate directly on behalf of issues that have a local impact or significance.

It is anticipated that the AMO conference in August will present such an opportunity, however at this time, no announcement has been made to confirm this, and no deadlines have been provided. Traditionally, the deadline to submit applications

can be quite close to the announcement date, as can the deadline for materials, after notice is received of acceptance of the request to meet.

Staff are requesting feedback from Council at this meeting, as to delegation topics which would be of local significance. This will assist Staff with prioritizing delegation requests and provide sufficient time to research and prepare materials for the request/presentation. Staff will also investigate potential joint requests with neighboring municipalities, for areas of joint concern, or where priorities overlap.

**Financial Impacts:**

There are no impacts to the operating budget beyond staff time.

**Strategic Alignment / Link:**

We are a prosperous community that continues to grow in a sustainable manner.

**Respectfully Submitted By:**

Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk

**Report Approved By:**

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer