

Philpott is 'PC' but not Conservative

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Liberal Party, not of the provincial Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario.

Cabinet ministers are also members of the Privy Council Office, which offers advice and support to the Prime Minister and coordination between different departments and agencies in the federal government.

"By being a member of the cabinet, they also become members of the Privy Council," said press secretary of the office of the minister of health Andrew MacKendrick.

"MPs can't use party logos and emblems in their signs, we wouldn't be able to put a Liberal L or the logo anyway," he added.

Nevertheless, Philpott would not be able to change parties from the federal level down to the provincial level unless elected.

Supporters needn't fear; Health Minister Jane Philpott is still a Liberal.

The confusion arose shortly after Philpott opened her new office on 6060 Main St., (also office of former Markham-Stouffville MP Paul Calandra).

Philpott's newsletter referred to her as "Hon. Jane Philpott, MP, PC", so some residents confused her Privy Council designation listed as "PC" as a new party affiliation with the Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario, also shortened as PC Party.

Philpott's office, which received calls after the newsletter was mailed out, has confirmed that she remains a member of the federal

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