



Cobourg Police Service

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Board Report:

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Mr. Dean Pepper, Chair
and members of the Cobourg Police Services Board

Subject: Motor Vehicle Collision Report Q4 2020

Chief's Recommendation: "That the Cobourg Police Services Board review and file for information."

Report:

The attached report related to Motor Vehicle Collisions in the Town of Cobourg shows the cumulative collisions that have occurred in 2020.

Of note, the total number of collisions, 276 compared to 522 in 2019, is down by 47%.

With the introduction of measures to prevent spread/transmission of COVID-19 at the end of the first quarter and continuing through the second quarter, the travelling public was significantly reduced and we see that impact in the reduced collision totals. This continued throughout the year.

On review of included driver behaviours and collision data, they are consistent with previous quarterly reports and support the supposition that COVID-19 restrictions were responsible for the reduction.

You will also see in the report that Ontario Street at Elgin Street West, a major arterial intersection, is now in the number one position for number of MVC incidents with 7. For 2019, the Ontario Street intersection was seventeen out of twenty with 3 collisions. As Elgin Street is a County Road, new timing sequences were implemented in the second quarter of 2019 as the result of a "near miss" camera survey of the intersection by the County of Northumberland.

Please note that the information provided in these reports reflect only what has been entered into our Collision Reporting and Occurrence Management System as of December 31, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

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