

Cobourg Police Service

Paul VandeGraaf Chief of Police

Board Report: In Camera Session: NO

Date of report: 2021-02-08
Date of meeting: 2021-02-16

Mr. D. Pepper, Chair And members of the Cobourg Police Services Board

Subject:

Chief's Recommendation: "That the Cobourg Police Services Board receives the following information.

Motion: "That the Cobourg Police Services Board receives the following report for

information."

Background:

The *Missing Persons Act* came into force on July 1, 2019 and included available training to support uses of the Act. All Cobourg Police Service sworn members completed the training. The Ontario Police College in collaboration with the ministry has developed training to outline the key elements of the *Missing Persons Act*. The virtual training module can be found on the Ontario Police College's Virtual Academy (OPCVA) at https://www.opcva.ca/content/missing-persons-act.

Under Section 8 of the *Missing Persons Act*, police services are required to report annually on their use of urgent demands under the Act, and police services boards are required to make this report available the public. The 2020 annual report includes urgent demands made during the period of January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. The annual report was completed using the *Form 7: Annual Report Template* which can be found on the Ontario Central Forms Repository Website.

The general regulation under the Act (O. Reg. 182/19) sets out the specific timelines for meeting this requirement. Municipal and First Nations Chiefs of Police are required to provide an annual report to their police service boards by April 1, 2021.

Police services boards must make the annual report public on a website by June 1, 2021 and must provide a copy to the Solicitor General. Which website the annual report is posted on (e.g., the police service board's website or the police service's website) and the format of the public posting is up to the discretion of the police services board.

The annual report was submitted to the Ministry of the Solicitor General (ministry) by email to MPreporting@ontario.ca by February 8, 2021 including:

- Staff Sergeant Scott Bambridge #234, scott.bambridge@cobourgpolice.com as a lead contact in the police service for the annual report; and,
- The annual report can be located at https://cobourgpoliceservice.com/annual-reports/ and was posted on the police service's website which will be uploaded by Communications Coordinator Lisa Munday.

See attached Form 7: Annual Report Template which clearly outlines the 2020 Annual Report for the Board pursuant to the Missing Persons Act – 2020 Annual Report and Training Supports.

Respectfully Submitted,

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