



The Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board

To Make a Difference in Our Community

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Board Meeting Highlights

September 22, 2016

NOTICE OF DATE CHANGE OF BOARD MEETING

The date for the regular Meeting of the Board has been changed to Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

Crime Rate in York Region

The overall crime rate in York Region increased by 1.2 percent during the first half of 2016 when compared with the first half of 2015. The rate of property crimes increased by 2.9 percent during that same period while the rate of violent crimes decreased. Most of the crime categories continue to experience decreases. York Region continues to have one of the lowest crime rates when compared with our national and provincial counterparts. For a full copy of the crime statistics, please visit our website.

Public Complaints Report

In the first six months of this year, 59 public complaints were received, by the Office of the Independent Police Review Director, against York Regional Police officers compared with 80 during the same time in 2015. Thirty-five complaints were deemed to be not in the public interest, frivolous, or more appropriately dealt with under another Act or law; one complaint was not dealt with due to the six-month time limitation; two complaints were unsubstantiated, nine public complaints were withdrawn by the complainant; four complaints were resolved informally and one with informal discipline. The remaining seven complaints are currently under investigation. For full copies of public complaint reports, please visit our website.

Business Plan Consultation Summary

The development of the 2017-2019 York Regional Police Business Plan relies heavily on consultation with internal and external stakeholders including members of the public. York Regional Police conducted over 50 consultation sessions and 15 surveys engaging over 1,300 YRP members and 7,300 community members. The top issues that were highlighted by community are: review and enhance service delivery and police officer visibility; increase the use of social media to enhance communication with the public; and continue with effective community engagement and safety education initiatives to the public.



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Findings from the internal consultation process are: enhance and streamline communication; continue to enhance efficiencies through improvements to business practices and processes; further explore staff development and training opportunities.

The feedback will shape the goals and objective the Board's 2017-2019 Business Plan for York Regional Police.

2017 Schedule of Board Meetings

The Board approved the 2017 schedule of Board meetings. There will be four scheduled presentations for next year including Our People - Sharing is Caring, How Technology is Changing Community Policing, Business Intelligence for Smarter more Efficient Policing and the Draft 2018 Police Budget. Board Meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m. Please visit our website for the full schedule.

St. John Ambulance

The Board approved support of the St. John Ambulance Annual Black and White Charity Gala taking place on October 20, 2016 in Markham, Ontario. The proceeds of this event support the volunteer-run programs which are provided to York Region communities every year. The York Branch of St. John Ambulance provides medical First Response services, youth leadership programs, child car seat safety clinics, therapy dog programs and lifesaving first aid training for adults and youth.

Clubs4Cancer Golf Tournament

The Board approved support of the Clubs4Cancer 9th Annual Golf Tournament taking place October 3, 2016 in Markham, Ontario. Clubs4Cancer was established to generate awareness to and to commemorate seven young lives that lost their battle to cancer.

Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM)

The Board approved support for the CISM Masquerade Gala taking place November 4, 2016 in Vaughan, Ontario. CISM Team supports York Region's emergency first responders following



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traumatic incidents through one-on-one and group interventions to reduce potential effects of operational stress injuries and post-traumatic stress.

Victim Services of York Region

The Board approved support of the annual Lip Sync Battle in support of Victim Services of York Region taking place November 3, 2016 in King Valley, Ontario. Victim Services of York Region is a non-profit, charitable agency that works in partnership with York Regional Police to provide 24-hour emotional support and practical assistance to persons victimized by crime or tragic circumstances.

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