



**The Corporation of the Township of Malahide
CORRESPONDENCE AGENDA
September 21, 2023 – 7:30 p.m.**

(G) Correspondence:

1. Association of Municipalities of Ontario - WatchFile – August 31, 2023, September 7, 2023, and September 14, 2023
2. City of Hamilton – Request to Abandon Greenbelt Development
3. Town of Grimsby – Establishing a Guaranteed Livable Income
4. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry - Proposed *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act* regulation changes for special projects and well security
5. Ontario Provincial Police – Distribution of Police Record Check Revenue to Municipalities
6. Southwestern Public Health – Introducing Vital Perspectives

Allison Adams

From: AMO Communications <Communicate@amo.on.ca>
Sent: Thursday, August 31, 2023 10:01 AM
To: Allison Adams
Subject: AMO Watchfile - August 31, 2023

Categories: Red Category

AMO Watchfile not displaying correctly? [View the online version](#)
 Add Communicate@amo.on.ca to your safe list



August 31, 2023

In This Issue

- Municipal Information & Data Analysis System (MIDAS).
- Ontario Anti-Hate Security and Prevention Grant.
- Release of public information service.
- Municipal Cybersecurity 101 forum.
- FOI program automation: Save time and money with AMO's new partner.
- Cyber incident management in partnership with ISA Cybersecurity.
- Use Canoe pricing in your 2024 budget.
- Identify energy savings with energy treasure hunt.
- Training for elected officials on Boards of Health.
- Careers: Elgin County, Kitchener and Oakville.

AMO Matters

AMO is pleased to launch a refresh of the Municipal Information & Data Analysis System (MIDAS). MIDAS is a web-based tool that provides access to the Financial Information Returns (FIRs) to all Ontario municipalities. The FIR is the main data collection tool used by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to collect financial and statistical information on municipalities. Ontario municipal elected officials and staff can contact MIDASAdmin@amo.on.ca for access.

Provincial Matters

The Ontario government is providing one-time grants of up to \$10,000 to ensure community spaces remain safe and secure from hate-motivated incidents. Applications are open for 2023-2024. The deadline is September 12, 2023.

The Technical Standards and Safety Authority (TSSA) is Ontario's public safety regulator. TSSA releases public information (e.g., licence statuses or devices at a location) per its privacy codes. [Click here](#) to request a release.

Eye on Events

It's back! AMO and MISA ON's joint Municipal Cybersecurity 101 Forum returns this fall in time for Cybersecurity Month. Join us virtually on October 12 from 10am to 2pm to learn more about building a cyber resilient municipality. [Register today](#).

AMO is pleased to partner with Vayle to offer a cost-effective digital platform to streamline FOI program management, reduce costs, and mitigate compliance risks. [Join us on September 14](#) at 12pm where we will provide a deeper dive into the latest digital offering.

LAS

[ISA Cybersecurity](#) was pleased to meet everyone in the exhibit hall at the 2023 AMO Conference. To learn more about the ISA Cybersecurity partnership with LAS, please contact [Shannon Devane](#).

Are you planning to buy equipment in 2024? The [Canoe Procurement Group](#) provides quick and easy quotes for your budget. If you're ready to purchase, save the time of running your own RFP and buy direct from pre-approved vendors. Contact [Sarah](#) to learn more.

Town of Whitby recently completed an [LAS energy workshop & treasure hunt](#) at their Brooklin Community Centre, identifying tremendous energy savings opportunities. Join others planning the same and book your workshop for this fall. Contact [Christian Tham](#) today!

Municipal Wire*

alPHA is offering two courses on Board of Health Governance and Social Determinants of Health for elected officials on Boards of Health. Pricing and more information are available [here](#).

Careers

[Chief Administrative Officer - Elgin County](#). Responsible for the strategic leadership and efficient delivery of all administrative and operational services. Please apply [via email](#) with a covering letter and resume by September 28.

[Chief of Staff - City of Kitchener](#). Lead a 4-person team responsible for supporting the Mayor and members of City Council in their community leadership roles. [Apply online](#) by September 6.

[Coordinator, Strategic Communications and Community Relations - City of Kitchener](#). Play a key role in constituency and community relations and communications. [Apply online](#) by September 15.

[Director, Culture and Entertainment - City of Kitchener](#). Oversee the development and implementation of strategic plans to support arts and artists, and attract major entertainment events. [Apply online](#) by September 13.

[Supervisor, Stores - Town of Oakville](#). Provide the planning, analysis, materials

management, organization, and distribution of required goods and services. [Apply online](#) by September 5.

About AMO

AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario's and Canada's political system. Follow [@AMOPolicy](#) on Twitter!

AMO Contacts

AMO Watchfile Tel: 416.971.9856

[Conferences/Events](#)

[Policy and Funding Programs](#)

[LAS Local Authority Services](#)

[MEPCO Municipal Employer Pension Centre of Ontario](#)

[ONE Investment](#)

[Media Inquiries](#)

[Municipal Wire, Career/Employment and Council Resolution Distributions](#)

AMO's Partners



*Disclaimer: The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) is unable to provide any warranty regarding the accuracy or completeness of third-party submissions. Distribution of these items does not imply an endorsement of the views, information or services mentioned.



Please consider the environment
before printing this.

Association of Municipalities of Ontario
200 University Ave. Suite 801, Toronto ON Canada M5H 3C6
To unsubscribe, please [click here](#)



Allison Adams

From: AMO Communications <Communicate@amo.on.ca>
Sent: Thursday, September 7, 2023 10:01 AM
To: Allison Adams
Subject: AMO Watchfile - September 7, 2023

AMO Watchfile not displaying correctly? [View the online version](#)
 Add Communicate@amo.on.ca to your safe list



September 7, 2023

In This Issue

- The Future of Municipal Liability and Risk Management.
- Ontario Anti-Hate Security and Prevention Grant.
- Release of public information service.
- Register for the October Risk Management Symposium.
- Municipal Cybersecurity 101 forum.
- FOI program automation: Save time and money with AMO's new partner.
- Canoe Webinars are Back!
- Blog: Experience as a Business Development Intern at LAS.
- Register for OMSSA's 2023 Forum.
- Careers.

AMO Matters

AMO and the province came together to form a Technical Working Group to provide an inter-governmental dialogue on municipal insurance costs, coverage and liability issues. [Read the report](#) summarizing the group's findings.

Provincial Matters

The Ontario government is providing one-time grants of up to \$10,000 to ensure community spaces remain safe and secure from hate-motivated incidents. [Applications are open for 2023-2024](#). The deadline is September 12, 2023.

The Technical Standards and Safety Authority ([TSSA](#)) is Ontario's public safety regulator. TSSA releases public information (e.g., licence statuses or devices at a location) per its privacy codes. [Click here](#) to request a release.

Eye on Events

LAS and Intact Public Entities are returning to an in-person [Risk Management Symposium](#) October 4- 5, 2023. This year's theme of *Navigating the Road to Resilience* will discuss critical municipal risk issues such as climate change and data management. It will also include an interactive cyber security event.

It's back! AMO and MISA ON's joint Municipal Cybersecurity 101 Forum returns this fall in time for Cybersecurity Month. Join us virtually on October 12 from 10am to 2pm to learn more about building a cyber resilient municipality. [Register today](#).

AMO is pleased to partner with Vayle to offer a cost-effective digital platform to streamline FOI program management, reduce costs, and mitigate compliance risks. [Join us on September 14](#) at 12pm where we will provide a deeper dive into the latest digital offering.

LAS

[Canoe Procurement Group](#) webinars are back! Join us for [Canoe 101](#) on September 28, [Job Order Contracting](#) on October 11, and [Fuel Management](#) on October 26. Follow the links or [visit LAS Events](#) to register.

LAS regularly hires intern students to help out. Our summer intern's co-op term ended last week and he is now back to school. [Read about his experience](#) working with the LAS team and some of the things he was able to complete during his time here.

Municipal Wire*

Join the Ontario Municipal Social Services Association (OMSSA) on September 26 and 27 and explore the planning and delivery of social services nationally and globally to better understand and address common challenges. [Register today](#).

Careers

[Director, Business Modernization and Digital Delivery Branch - Ministry of Finance](#). Provide strategic leadership and operational direction for the development and oversight of business modernization planning. [Apply online](#) by September 12.

[Executive Assistant / Deputy Clerk - Town of Deep River](#). Responsible for assisting with the provision of Council/Committee services as well as support in the day-to-day operations. Apply to hr@deepriver.ca by September 22.

[Deputy Treasurer/ HR Coordinator - Town of Deep River](#). Responsible for overseeing aspects of the Finance Department. Apply to hr@deepriver.ca by September 22.

[Environmental Health & Safety Field Representative - City of Toronto](#). Responsible for the on-site implementation, supervision, and continual improvement of programs related to health, safety, and quality management systems. [Apply online](#) by September 20.

[Fire Chief - City of Sarnia](#). Providing vision, direction, and oversight for Sarnia Fire Rescue as the service continues to evolve, grow and adapt. Apply to hr@sarnia.ca by October 1.

[Director of Public Works - Township of Cavan Monaghan](#). Supervise and manage all operations and administration of the public works department. Apply to hr@cavanmonaghan.net by September 20.

Manager Asset Management Office - Niagara Region. Responsible for executing the Corporate Asset Management Strategy. [Apply online](#) by September 12.

About AMO

AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario's and Canada's political system. Follow [@AMOPolicy](#) on Twitter!

AMO Contacts

AMO Watchfile Tel: 416.971.9856

[Conferences/Events](#)

[Policy and Funding Programs](#)

[LAS Local Authority Services](#)

[MEPCO Municipal Employer Pension Centre of Ontario](#)

[ONE Investment](#)

[Media Inquiries](#)

[Municipal Wire, Career/Employment and Council Resolution Distributions](#)

AMO's Partners



*Disclaimer: The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) is unable to provide any warranty regarding the accuracy or completeness of third-party submissions. Distribution of these items does not imply an endorsement of the views, information or services mentioned.



Please consider the environment
before printing this.

Association of Municipalities of Ontario
200 University Ave. Suite 801, Toronto ON Canada M5H 3C6
To unsubscribe, please [click here](#)



Allison Adams

From: AMO Communications <Communicate@amo.on.ca>
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2023 10:01 AM
To: Allison Adams
Subject: AMO Watchfile - September 14, 2023

AMO Watchfile not displaying correctly? [View the online version](#)
 Add Communicate@amo.on.ca to your safe list



September 14, 2023

In This Issue

- New Baseline Waste & Recycling Report released.
- The Future of Municipal Liability and Risk Management.
- Fire Chief responsibility to Council.
- Release of public information service.
- AMO 2023: Give us your feedback on your conference experience.
- Register for the AMO-LAS Energy Symposium.
- Councillor training is not just for new councillors!
- Municipal Cybersecurity 101 forum.
- FOI program automation: Save time and money with AMO's new partner.
- 4S Webinar: Double rebates from WSIB for Municipal Health & Safety Programs.
- LAS now has an Instagram account!
- Gravel Road Assessments available through LAS.
- Learn with Canoe webinars.
- SaveOnEnergy Energy Management and Efficient Electrification webinars.
- Careers: BPS, Newmarket, Muskoka District, Oro-Medonte and Toronto.

AMO Matters

AMO's Baseline Waste & Recycling Report reviews Ontario's current circular economy efforts. With only 10 years of disposal capacity remaining in Ontario, new waste diversion policy is required.

AMO and the province came together to form a Technical Working Group to provide an inter-governmental dialogue on municipal insurance costs, coverage and liability issues. Read *The Future of Municipal Liability and Risk Management* report summarizing the group's findings.

Provincial Matters

The Office of the Fire Marshal released an interpretation of the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act* regarding fire chiefs' roles and responsibilities with respect to reporting to municipal council.

The Technical Standards and Safety Authority ([TSSA](#)) is Ontario's public safety regulator. TSSA releases public information (e.g., licence statuses or devices at a location) per its privacy codes. [Click here](#) to request a release.

Eye on Events

Complete the [2023 AMO conference survey](#) to provide feedback on the program content and your conference experience. Let us know what worked well and how we can improve the conference for AMO 2024.

AMO and Local Authority Services (LAS) are pleased to be hosting the 2023 Municipal Energy Symposium on November 2-3 at the Novotel Centre Toronto. [Register now](#). Space is limited.

AMO's Councillor Training provides the knowledge and insights to support you as a local leader. AMO's training explores the key areas related to your role as a local leader including: conflict of interest, code of conduct, insight into legislation and policy, finance and strategic planning, asset management - and more! [Register today](#) for October 20 training.

It's back! AMO and MISA ON's joint Municipal Cybersecurity 101 Forum returns this fall in time for Cybersecurity Month. Join us virtually on October 12 from 10am to 2pm to learn more about building a cyber resilient municipality. [Register today](#).

AMO is pleased to partner with Vayle to offer a cost-effective digital platform to streamline FOI program management, reduce costs, and mitigate compliance risks. [Join us on September 14](#) at 12pm where we will provide a deeper dive into the latest digital offering.

AMO's Health and Safety Program Management partner, [4S Consulting](#), is hosting a webinar on September 19 at 8:30am ET on the double rebate offering from WSIB for municipal health and safety programs. [Register and learn more](#) on how to create sustainable health and safety programs.

LAS

You can find us on Twitter and LinkedIn, but now we've added Instagram as another social media platform where you can get LAS updates. Our tag is [@LAS_Ontario](#).

The [LAS Road & Sidewalk Assessment Service](#) has expanded to include gravel roads! Get an accurate condition rating and guidance on how to keep them in good shape. [Contact Tanner](#) for a no-obligation quote.

The [Canoe Procurement Group](#) fall webinar series is starting soon! Join us on September 28 for [Canoe 101](#), October 11 for [Job Order Contracting with Gordian](#), and October 26 for [Fuel Management with Gilbarco](#). Register using the links or visit our [events page](#).

SaveOnEnergy is offering free training webinars for municipal energy/facility managers and directors. Learn how to integrate energy management principles, identify savings, and reduce cost in your municipal facilities. [Register for these](#)

webinars today.

Careers

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Specialist - Brantford Police Service. Responsible for developing, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating diversity and inclusion initiatives. Apply online by September 15.

Manager, Revenue - Town of Newmarket. Responsible for the operations, performance, and functions of the property tax, accounts receivable, cash management and other corporate revenue. Apply online by September 21.

Director, Human Services - District Municipality of Muskoka. Responsible for leading the implementation, evaluation, change management, and reporting processes of integrated Human Services delivery. Apply online by September 27.

Director, Development Services - Township of Oro-Medonte. Prepare and implement the department's operating and capital budgets; and manage the Environmental Initiative portfolio. Apply to omdirectords@oro-medonte.ca by October 6th.

Manager, Transportation Operations & Maintenance - City of Toronto. Lead and manage all aspects of road operations, to ensure the cost-effective and environmentally friendly delivery of operating and capital programs. Apply online by September 18.

About AMO

AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario's and Canada's political system. Follow [@AMOPolicy](#) on Twitter!

AMO Contacts

AMO Watchfile Tel: 416.971.9856

Conferences/Events

Policy and Funding Programs

LAS Local Authority Services

MEPCO Municipal Employer Pension Centre of Ontario

ONE Investment

Media Inquiries

Municipal Wire, Career/Employment and Council Resolution Distributions

AMO's Partners



*Disclaimer: The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) is unable to provide any warranty regarding the accuracy or completeness of third-party submissions. Distribution of these items does not imply an endorsement of the views, information or services mentioned.



Please consider the environment
before printing this.

Association of Municipalities of Ontario
200 University Ave. Suite 801, Toronto ON Canada M5H 3C6
To unsubscribe, please [click here](#)





OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF HAMILTON

VIA: Mail

The Honourable Paul Calandra
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
777 Bay Street, 17th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

September 11, 2023

Dear Minister Calandra:

On August 18, 2023, Hamilton City Council approved Item 7.5 which reads as follows:

7.5 City of Hamilton – Request to Abandon Greenbelt Development

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton is committed to reducing the cost of housing and has pledged to facilitate the construction of 47,000 housing units by 2031;

WHEREAS, City of Hamilton staff have concluded that residential housing development within the former Greenbelt lands is unnecessary to facilitate construction of the pledged housing units;

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2023, Hamilton City Council declared “The Minister’s decision to remove 795 hectares of land from the Greenbelt Plan is unnecessary and is not supported by the City of Hamilton”;

WHEREAS, the Auditor General for the Province of Ontario has confirmed Hamilton’s conclusion that “Greenbelt land was not needed to meet the current housing targets assigned to them by the Housing Ministry”;

WHEREAS, development of the Greenbelt would be a significant financial liability to Hamilton taxpayers;

WHEREAS, the Auditor General for the Province of Ontario stated: “Land sites removed from the Greenbelt in December 2022 were largely not serviced, were not in their servicing plans, and that many of the sites would be challenging to prioritize and service in the near future...” and “Some of these sites would require considerable infrastructure to prepare them for housing development”; and

WHEREAS, the Greenbelt should be protected as a vital element of Hamilton's environmental and agricultural resources.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City of Hamilton requests the Province of Ontario abandon its plan to develop the Greenbelt and that all lands within the City of Hamilton removed from the Greenbelt be reinstated; and
- (b) That this resolution be circulated to all Ontario municipalities where Greenbelt lands were slated for development for support and a similar declaration to the Province of Ontario.

Your consideration of Council's request is appreciated. We would ask that you reference File #C23-015 when responding to this correspondence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Andrea Horwath", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mayor Andrea Horwath

File #C23-015

c.c. Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO)
Federation of Canadian Municipalities
Rural Ontario Municipal Association
All Ontario Municipalities (by email)



**The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby
Administration**

Office of the Town Clerk

160 Livingston Avenue, Grimsby, ON L3M 0J5

Phone: 905-945-9634 Ext. 2171 | **Fax:** 905-945-5010

Email: bdunk@grimsby.ca

September 8, 2023

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington St.
Ottawa, ON, K1A

Attention: The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau

RE: Establishing a Guaranteed Livable Income

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grimsby at its meeting held on September 5, 2023 passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Councillor Korstanje

Seconded by: Councillor Freake

Whereas the Canadian livable wage for Niagara Region, two years ago was determined to be \$19.80. This was \$6000 below the annual income of a minimum wage employee; and

Whereas our residents on programs such as Ontario Works, receive targeted fixed monthly incomes of \$733, and ODSP recipients receive \$1376; and

Whereas at the current Ontario minimum wage rate, a person working 37.5 hours per week will earn approximately \$2,500 monthly (before tax); and

Whereas the median rent for one bedroom in Grimsby as of August 2023 is now \$2000 a month; and

Whereas rent is considered affordable, when it is less than 30% of income. In Niagara west, rent is approximately 272% of Ontario Works, 145% of Ontario Disability Support Services, 75% of minimum wage full-time, and 150% of minimum wage part time; and

Whereas an annual 2.5% allowable rent increase can be combined with an additional 3-6.5% capital investment increase, raising the cost of rental housing another minimum of \$110 monthly; and

Whereas there are no housing units under Niagara Regional Housing for single adults or families with dependents, including 2,3,4 or five bedrooms in our community; and

Whereas the Grimsby Benevolent Fund reported that in 2022:

- 70+ households received monthly rental supplement totaling \$237,744
- \$79,500 was invested into one time emergency housing support as of June 7, 2023
- 78 households are receiving monthly financial benefits to make rental housing more affordable; and

Whereas food inflation was 8.3% and groceries rose by 9.1%; and

Whereas the Grimsby Food Bank numbers from June 2023 reported:

- 19 new households
- 447 served households
- 1055 served individuals
- 7 emergency visits; and

Whereas the Grimsby Economic Strategic Plan identified the general high cost of living and housing affordability as primary obstacles in our workforce attraction.

Therefore be it resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby circulate correspondence to Ontario municipalities encouraging them not only to collect data of their housing and poverty statistics, but also to examine their pending economic vulnerability as a result.

Be it further resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby encourage these same municipalities to join us in advocating on behalf of our communities with this data, and by writing a letter to the Prime Minister, Premier, and local politicians calling for a united effort in establishing a Guaranteed Livable Income program.

Be it further resolved the Town of Grimsby Clerks Department circulates this resolution to Niagara West MP Dean Allison and Niagara West MPP Sam Oosterhoff, requesting a response on this matter within 30 days of receipt.

Be it further resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby, through its Finance and Human Resources departments, undertake a comprehensive assessment to explore the feasibility and implementation of a living wage policy for all Town of Grimsby employees, with the aim of ensuring that all municipal workers receive fair compensation that aligns with the principles of a living wage and that staff be directed to explore becoming a living wage employer.

If you require any additional information, please let me know.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Bonnie Nistico-Dunk', written in a cursive style.

Bonnie Nistico-Dunk
Town Clerk

cc. Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Ontario Municipalities
Dean Allison, MP Niagara West
Sam Oosterhoff, MPP Niagara West

Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

Resources Planning and Development
Policy Branch
Policy Division
300 Water Street
Peterborough, ON K9J 3C7

Ministère des Richesses naturelles et des Forêts

Direction des politiques de planification et d'exploitation des ressources
Division de l'élaboration des politiques
300, rue Water
Peterborough (Ontario) K9J 3C7

September 1, 2023

Subject: Proposed *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act* regulation changes for special projects and well security

Hello,

We are writing today to share information about regulation changes being proposed under the *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act* that would:

- Establish the processes and requirements that would enable projects to test or demonstrate new or innovative activities in Ontario to pursue authorization under the *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act*, including measures to support the protection of people and the environment and provide for local and Indigenous community engagement and consultation, where appropriate, on applications for licences and permits.
- Remove well security exemptions and caps, going forward, for all wells under this Act, when
 - wells are newly drilled, deepened or converted to another use, or
 - a well licence is transferred.
- Increase security caps when companies amalgamate (i.e., no longer allow for security to be refunded to operators on the basis of a security cap when companies amalgamate).

If approved, the proposed changes would come into effect on January 1, 2024.

If approved, the proposed changes to well security exemptions and caps would also apply to operators who make requests for transfers, new well licences, conversions, deepening, or consents to adjust security due to amalgamations, that are received by the ministry after the date these proposed changes were posted to the environmental and regulatory registries.

More details on the proposed changes can be viewed in the proposal notice on the Environmental Registry of Ontario: <https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-7507>. Feedback on the proposed changes can be provided directly to the ministry or through the environmental registry.

The decision notice for changes to the *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act* to support the regulation of special projects and to enhance measures to safeguard people and the environment that were proposed last spring through *Bill 91, Less Red Tape, Stronger Economy Act, 2023* (<https://www.ola.org/en/legislative-business/bills/parliament-43/session-1/bill-91>) has now been posted and can be viewed here: <https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-6752>.

If you would like more information or have any questions about the proposed changes, please contact Andrew Ogilvie, Manager of Resources Development Section, at 705-761-5815 or through email: Resources.Development@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Keyes", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jennifer Keyes
Director, Resources Planning and Development Policy Branch

Ontario
Provincial
Police

Police
provinciale
de l'Ontario



Municipal Policing Bureau
Bureau des services policiers des municipalités

777 Memorial Ave.
Orillia ON L3V 7V3

777, avenue Memorial
Orillia ON L3V 7V3

Tel: 705 329-6140
Fax: 705 330-4191

Tél. : 705 329-6140
Télé.: 705 330-4191

File Reference:

612-10

September 6, 2023

To All OPP-policed Municipalities

Re: Distribution of Police Record Check Revenue to Municipalities

In June 2022, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) centralized the police record check process by transferring the responsibility for the process from detachment staff to an Online Police Record Check Unit (OPRCU). The centralization of the police record check process eliminates the need for detachment staff to perform duties associated with the police record checks, with the exception of fingerprinting. This OPRCU has been staffed by reinvesting numerous administrative detachment positions from across the province. The change in staffing at OPP detachment locations will be captured in the overall municipal policing cost-recovery in accordance with the terms set out in *Police Services Act*, Ontario Regulation 267/14.

Historically, the revenue generated from detachment staff completing record checks for municipal residents has been credited back to the applicable municipalities. With the reassignment of the police record check workload to the OPRCU, there will be a gradual reduction of the revenue provided to municipalities, except for the revenue for fingerprinting. Fingerprinting remains a detachment responsibility and, therefore, the revenue for conducting fingerprint services at the detachments will continue to be allocated to municipalities. The gradual reduction of police record check revenue (not related to fingerprinting) will be accompanied by the introduction of some cost savings for municipalities resulting from the impact of reinvesting some detachment positions into the OPRCU. This will provide municipalities with an extended period of time to make appropriate adjustments to any impacted financial plans.

OPP-policed municipalities will continue to receive police record check revenue in 2023 and 2024. Commencing in 2025, the revenue will be reduced by 25% per year. In 2028, OPP-policed municipalities will cease to receive police record check revenue associated with police record checks processed by the OPRCU. Municipalities will continue to receive revenue for fingerprinting services provided at the detachment.

The OPP will continue to deliver adequate and effective policing services while focusing on meeting the municipalities' unique policing needs.

Should you have any questions, please email the OPP Municipal Policing Bureau Financial Services Unit at OPP.Financial.Services.Unit@opp.ca.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Phil Whitton", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Phil Whitton Superintendent
Commander,
Municipal Policing Bureau

cc OPP Deputy Commissioner Chris Harkins
 OPP Provincial Commander Mary Silverthorn
 A/Inspector Kirsten Buligan, Community Safety Services
 OPP Detachment Commanders

Allison Adams

From: Cynthia St. John <cstjohn@swpublichealth.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, August 30, 2023 8:20 AM
To: SWPHMunicipalPartners
Subject: Introducing Vital Perspectives

Dear Colleagues,

Today I am proud to provide you with a preview of a special initiative of our health unit.

Vital Perspectives, a new storytelling series, will launch in our community tomorrow. You can view the video, see the images, and read the stories at www.swpublichealth.ca/vitalperspectives.

Over the next 18 months we will tell some of the biggest public health stories of our time: the opioid crisis, climate change and health, housing/homelessness and community belonging. Our goal is to illuminate and personalize issues while generating productive discussion.

The first story, officially launching tomorrow, is about the opioid crisis. We've used video, written stories, still photos and infographics to tell it. All participants are from the Southwestern Public Health region. Our aim for this story is to illustrate the complexity of the issue – and the multi-pronged solution that is required – as well as to highlight how stigma is a barrier to better health for so many in our community.

Vital Perspectives will be promoted using ads on Meta (Facebook, Instagram), Google Ads, traditional news media and by asking community partners to share on their own channels. I hope that you see the value in this work and will consider sharing it on your own social media accounts. You could share the video or one of the individual stories, or the entire Vital Perspectives webpage.

Please reach out if you have any questions.

Thank you,

CYNTHIA ST. JOHN

Chief Executive Officer

SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC HEALTH

1230 Talbot Street, St. Thomas, ON N5P 1G9

519-631-9900 | 1-800-922-0096

cstjohn@swpublichealth.ca | www.swpublichealth.ca

My work hours may differ from yours. Please do not feel the need to respond to my message if it is received outside of your work hours.

