

### **Report to Council**

Report Title:	Brockton Police Services Board Update		
Prepared By:	Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk and Fiona Hamilton, Clerk		
Department:	Clerk's		
Date:	April 27, 2021		
Report Number:	CLK2021-12 File Number: C11CL, P16PO		
Attachments:	Ministry of the Solicitor General – Update on OPP Detachment Boards under <i>Community</i> <i>Safety and Policing Act, 2019</i> OPP Detachment Board Proposal Process Factsheet OPP Detachment Board Proposal Process Questions and Answers Email from the OPP MPB Financial Services Unit – 2021 Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Grant		

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CLK2021-12 - Police Services Board Update, prepared by Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk and Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and in doing so approves sending a letter to the Ministry of the Solicitor General requesting an exemption under the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* to allow the Municipality of Brockton to maintain the Brockton Police Services Board as a singular Board as requested by the Brockton Police Services Board.

#### **Report:**

#### Background:

#### *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* Impact on Police Services Boards:

Ontario passed the <u>Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019</u> (Bill 68) and established the <u>Community</u> <u>Safety and Policing Act, 2019</u> (CSPA) which, once in force will repeal the <u>Police Services Act, 1990</u> (PSA). The new Act will dissolve the existing s. 10 Police Services Boards and require those Boards to submit proposals for new Boards.

Section 67 of the CSPA requires there be an Ontario Provincial Police Detachment Board for each detachment that provides policing in a municipality, or in a First Nations community. The Ministry was required to develop a regulation related to the composition of each OPP Detachment Board. To achieve this the Ministry developed the "OPP Detachment Board Framework". The framework will ensure that each municipality and First Nation receiving OPP services and supports has an opportunity to represent their local perspectives, needs and priorities. The framework will also allow for municipalities and First Nations to collaborate on efforts to improve community safety. Municipalities can determine the preferred composition of their detachment board by submitting a proposal using a <u>digital form</u> provided by the Ministry.

#### Analysis:

#### Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 Impact on Police Services Boards:

All municipalities policed by the South Bruce OPP Detachment that have s. 10 Police Services Boards (Brockton, Huron Kinloss, and Kincardine) will be required to work together and submit **one proposal** regarding the composition of their OPP Detachment Board. South Bruce and Arran-Elderslie would not be required to submit a proposal or join the other municipalities because they do not have separate police services boards. Requirements of the board include:

- Minimum size of 5 members, no maximum size
- 20% Community Representation the Province will appoint community representatives should municipal council fail to appoint representatives by joint resolution.
- 20% Provincial Appointees

The OPP Detachment Board proposals are due to the Ministry of the Solicitor General by June 7, 2021. The proposal will require the municipalities to identify the number of seats each municipality will allocate on the board as well as the number of community representatives and provincial appointments. Names of the individuals that will be participating on the Detachment Board will not be required at this time. The Ministry will work with the municipalities to provide support during the proposal process.

The Clerk's department has registered for a virtual information session provided by the Ministry to determine the next steps in the process.

The Clerk's department has also begun to reach out to the other municipalities policed by the South Bruce OPP to begin a discussion on the OPP Detachment Board proposal to submit to the Solicitor General. At this time, there is a preference among the remaining South Bruce OPP Police Services Boards to remain as one consolidated Board.

The Clerk, Chief Administrative Officer, and Mayor have also met with the Brockton Police Services Board Chair, a Provincial Appointee, and Councillor representative to further discuss the impact the legislation would have on Brockton specifically.

As a result of the meeting with the Clerk, CAO and Mayor, the Brockton Police Services Board held a Special Meeting on April 22, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss and bring forth a recommendation to Council regarding their proposal to the Ministry of the Solicitor General for the Municipality of Brockton to maintain the Municipality's own Police Services Board.

At the April 22, 2021 Special Brockton Police Services Board Meeting, the following resolution was passed by the Brockton Police Services Board requesting that Council consider sending a letter to the Ministry of the Solicitor General requesting an exemption under the CSPA to allow Brockton to maintain its own singular Board instead of consolidating with the remaining South Bruce OPP Police Services Boards.

#### **Brockton Police Services Board Resolution:**

Moved By Tim Elphick Seconded By Carl Kuhnke

Whereas the Province of Ontario passed the *Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019* (Bill 68) and established the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* (CSPA) which, once in force, will repeal the *Police Services Act, 1990* (PSA);

And Whereas Section 67 of the CSPA states that there be an Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) detachment board, or more than one OPP detachment board, for each detachment of the OPP that provides policing in a municipality or in a First Nation community;

And Whereas the Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton has entered into a policing contract with the OPP until June 30, 2022;

And Whereas there are unique circumstances to the Municipality of Brockton, including but not limited to: highest policing cost per household in detachment area; host to the Bruce County Courthouse (court security and prisoner transport costs); unique rural geography; variation in population size from other surrounding municipalities; and the public interest in ongoing review of service demands (e.g. calls for service);

Now Therefore the Brockton Police Services Board recommend that the Council of the Municipality of Brockton authorize the preparation and submission of a proposal to the Province of Ontario in that the Municipality of Brockton be authorized to establish their own OPP detachment board within the OPP: South Bruce Detachment;

And Further Be It Resolved, subject to the approval of the Province, it is recommended that any costs associated with establishing an OPP detachment board within the Municipality of Brockton continue to be appropriately budgeted in the annual Brockton Budget in each calendar year.

And Further Be It Resolved that the final submission to the Province of Ontario be copied to MPP Lisa Thompson.

#### Carried.

The Ministry has stressed that they will only accept **one proposal per detachment** and further encourage Detachment Boards to work together on their proposal. Therefore, staff will continue to collaborate with the South Bruce OPP Police Services Boards in the meantime to collaborate on the joint proposal, should the Brockton Police Services Board's request to Council and/or the Ministry of the Solicitor General be denied.

#### Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Grant (CSPTG):

The Municipality was recently informed by the MPB Financial Services Unit that Brockton will be receiving \$296,902 for the 2021 Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Grant, with 25% available now and the remainder scheduled for September 2021. Although, it was noted that "2020 reconciled CSPT costs will be compared to the actual grant allocated for 2020, and any grant overpayment will be deducted from the outstanding grant allocation. We anticipate that the number of municipalities with grant overpayments is likely to increase this year as COVID restricted access to courthouses across the province and therefore reduced 2020 court security and prisoner transportation costs."

#### Sustainability Checklist:

What aspect of the Brockton Sustainable Strategic Plan does the content/recommendations in this report help advance?

<ul> <li>Do the recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision?</li> </ul>	Yes
<ul> <li>Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Cultural Vibrancy?</li> </ul>	N/A
<ul> <li>Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Prosperity?</li> </ul>	Yes
<ul> <li>Do the recommendations contribute to Environmental Integrity?</li> </ul>	N/A
<ul> <li>Do the recommendations contribute to the Social Equity?</li> </ul>	Yes

#### **Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:**

Do the recommendations represent a sound financial investment from a sustainability perspective?
 N/A

There are no budgetary impacts at this time

The 2021 CSPTG reflects an increase grant of \$51,615 from 2020.

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Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

#### **Respectfully Submitted by:**

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132-2021-404 By email

March 18, 2021

Dear Heads of Council and First Nations Chiefs:

I am writing to provide you with an update on the new Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) detachment boards under the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* (CSPA).

As you may remember, in February 2020, the Ministry of the Solicitor General conducted seven regional roundtable sessions across the province. Discussions at these sessions focused on new OPP-related regulatory requirements under the CSPA. Municipalities and First Nation communities receiving policing services from the OPP were invited to learn more about new OPP-related legislative and regulatory requirements and provide the ministry with feedback to inform the development of related regulatory proposals. In addition, we heard from many of you through various letters and engagement opportunities, including meetings with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario MOU Table and Rural Ontario Municipal Association about what you would like your new OPP detachment board to look like.

In response to your feedback, an OPP detachment board framework has been developed that we hope will provide municipalities and First Nation communities receiving direct and/or supplemental services from the OPP the flexibility to create a board that reflects your community and local needs.

Under this framework, municipalities and First Nation communities receiving direct and/or supplemental services from an OPP detachment are being asked to submit one proposal (per detachment) indicating the composition of their board and, if needed, a rationale for multiple boards and the composition of each additional board.

Municipalities and First Nations within a detachment are asked to work together to determine the composition of their board(s) as well as the manner in which they will submit their proposal to the ministry. For example, after determining the composition of the detachment board(s), municipalities and First Nations within a detachment area may select one municipality or First Nation to complete and submit the proposal.

Dear Heads of Council and First Nations Chiefs Page 2

Proposals must meet base requirements set by the ministry, which include a minimum number of five members per board and a requirement that each board should be composed of 20% community representatives and 20% provincial appointees. To that end, municipalities and First Nations are not required at this time to identify the names of the individuals that will be participating on the detachment board. Rather, you are only asked to identify the number of seats each municipality and First Nation will be allocated on the detachment board as well as the number of community representatives and provincial appointments.

To streamline and support the proposal process, the ministry has developed a digital form that can be accessed using the link included <u>here</u>.

The ministry will work with municipalities and First Nations to obtain outstanding information/proposals and support you in submitting a completed proposal. If, however, a proposal still does not meet the minimum requirements, or a proposal is not submitted and/or if no consensus is reached on the composition of the board then the ministry will determine the composition of the detachment board.

Completed proposals are to be submitted to the ministry by Monday, June 7, 2021.

We recognize the significant implications that the current COVID-19 emergency has had on municipalities and First Nations across the province. To this end, in addition to the written supporting material attached here, we are also pleased to work with you directly through virtual information sessions.

If you have questions related to OPP detachment boards under the CSPA, please contact Sarah Caldwell, Director of Community Safety and Intergovernmental Policy, at <u>sarah.caldwell@ontario.ca</u>. If you have questions about the proposal process or would be interested in a virtual information session, please contact Joanna Reading, Senior Policy Advisor, at joanna.reading@ontario.ca

Sincerely,

Sylvia Jones Solicitor General

Enclosures

c: Chief Administrative Officers

Municipal Clerks

### **OPP DETACHMENT BOARD PROPOSAL PROCESS**



- Ontario passed the Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019 (Bill 68) and established the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSP) which, once in force, will repeal the Police Services Act, 1990 (PSA).
- Section 67 of the CSPA requires there be **an Ontario Provincial** Police (OPP) detachment board, or more than one OPP *detachment board*, for each detachment of the OPP that provides policing in a municipality or in a First Nation community.
- The Ministry is required to develop a regulation related to the composition of each OPP detachment board. To achieve this, the ministry has developed an "OPP Detachment Board Framework".



### **TIMELINES**





- The new **OPP Detachment Board Framework** will provide civilian governance to 326 municipalities and 43 First Nations including those that:
  - Are directly policed by the OPP;
  - Employ their own First Nations Constables but receive administrative support from the OPP; and
  - Receive "OPP Dedicated" policing (i.e. North Caribou Lake and Wapekeka First Nation).
- By enhancing civilian governance, the **OPP Detachment Board Framework** under the CSPA will:
  - Ensure each municipality and First Nation receiving OPP services and supports has an opportunity to represent their local perspectives, needs, and priorities; and
  - Provide opportunities for municipalities and First Nations to collaborate on efforts to improve community safety.

**PROCESS** 

- To ensure the objectives of the **OPP Detachment Board Framework** are met, the ministry has developed a flexible approach that allows municipalities and First Nations to determine the preferred composition of their detachment board(s) by submitting a proposal using a digital form provided by the ministry.
  - Link to Digital Form: OPP Board Proposal Form
- Municipalities and First Nations within a detachment will be required to work together to develop and submit one proposal indicating the composition of their board(s). The proposal must meet the minimum composition requirements established by the ministry (See Page 2 & Qs and As).
- Municipalities and First Nations will not be required to identify the names of the individuals that will be participating on the detachment board but will be required to identify the number of seats each municipality and First Nation will be allocated on the detachment board as well as the number of community representatives and provincial appointments.
- The ministry will work with each municipality and First Nation to obtain outstanding information and provide support to ensure each detachment submits a completed proposal. However, a proposal does not meet the minimum requirements set by the ministry or a proposal is not submitted, and/or if a detachment is unable to come to a consensus, the ministry will determine the composition of the detachment board(s).
- The ministry is offering virtual information sessions for municipalities and First Nation communities to address outstanding questions and clarify concerns related to the proposal requirements and process, upon request.

### FACT SHEET







# **OPP DETACHMENT BOARD COMPOSITION REQUIREMENTS**

### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Minimum Size	5 members
Maximum Size	None
Community Representatives	<ul> <li>20% Community Representation</li> <li>Province to appoint community representative(s) if municipal council/band council fail to appoint represent</li> </ul>
Provincial Appointments	20% Provincial Appointees



General Information/OPP Detachment Board Proposal Process	Community Safety and Intergovernmental Policy Branch Joanna Reading ( <u>Joanna.Reading@ontario.ca</u> )
Civilian Governance Options	Indigenous Engagement Unit
for First Nations	Ashley O'Connell ( <u>Ashley.OConnell@ontario.ca</u> )

### **FACT SHEET**

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# Q1: What are the key differences between the section 10 board framework under the *Police Services Act* (1990) (PSA) and OPP detachment board framework under the *Community Safety Policing Act, 2019* (CSPA)?

#### A1:

- The OPP currently polices 326 municipalities. Of these, only those under a section 10 agreement have access to civilian governance. This means there are 178 municipalities that do not participate on a board and as a result do not have access to civilian governance.
- Under the CSPA, all municipalities receiving OPP policing services will have the opportunity to participate on an OPP detachment board.
- In terms of the roles and responsibilities of board members, the role of OPP detachment boards will include additional responsibilities not required for section 10 boards under the PSA (1990) such as:
  - considering any community safety and well-being plan adopted by a municipality that receives policing from the detachment;
  - establishing local policies, in consultation with the detachment commander, with respect to policing in the area receiving policing from the detachment; and
  - ensuring local action plans prepared by the detachment commander address the objectives and priorities determined by the board.
- Under the CSPA, OPP detachment board members will be required to:
  - o consult with the OPP Commissioner on the selection of a detachment commander;
  - o monitor the performance of the detachment commander; and
  - o provide an annual report to the municipalities and band councils served by the OPP.
- OPP detachment boards will also provide a venue for the municipalities and First Nations within a detachment area to coordinate and collaborate on strategies to address common issues that is not present under the PSA.

## Q2: What does the transition to the new OPP detachment board framework mean for municipalities and First Nations currently receiving policing services by the OPP?

#### A2:

- Until the Act comes into force, the ministry will continue to renew section 10 agreements that are set to expire in 2021.
- However once the CSPA comes into force all existing section 10 agreements will be terminated, and Section 10 boards will be dissolved.
- To do this, the ministry is committed to providing sufficient time and adequate supports to municipalities currently participating on a Section 10 board or, in the case of municipalities that receive OPP policing without a formal agreement/contract (i.e. Section 5.1 municipality), a Community Policing Advisory Committees (CPAC) as they dissolve their current board structures and transition to the new OPP detachment board model.

#### Q3: When will the CSPA come into force?

#### A3:

• The ministry is working towards the act being proclaimed in early 2022.

#### Q4: Which municipalities and First Nations are included in the OPP detachment board framework?

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- The OPP detachment board framework provides civilian governance to the municipalities and First Nations receiving policing from OPP detachments.
- More specifically, the framework includes 326 municipalities currently policed by the OPP.
  - The First Nations included in this framework include the 43 First Nations that:
    - are directly policed by the OPP (i.e., zone policing without a funding agreement);
    - employ their own First Nations Constables but receive administrative support from the OPP (i.e., "OPP-Administered" policing under the Federal First Nations Policing Program (FNPP)); and
    - o receive "OPP-Dedicated" policing (i.e. Stream Two agreements under the FNPP).

Q5: What role will municipalities and First Nations have with respect to the OPP Detachment Board proposal process?

#### A5:

- Municipalities and First Nations in each OPP detachment area will be required to submit one proposal indicating the composition of their board and the rationale for multiple boards and the composition of each additional board, if multiple boards are being recommended.
- The ministry will only accept one proposal per detachment.
- Municipalities and First Nations within a detachment will be required to work together and determine the approach for developing and submitting their proposal to the ministry.
  - For example, after determining the composition of the detachment board(s), the municipalities and First Nations within a detachment may select one municipality or First Nation to complete and submit the proposal.

#### Q6: What information is the ministry requesting in the proposal form?

#### A6:

- Municipalities and First Nations within a detachment area will be required to submit a proposal indicating the composition of their board(s).
- Municipalities and First Nations will not be required to identify the names of the individuals that will be participating
  on the detachment board. Rather, they will be required to identify the number of seats each municipality and First
  Nation will be allocated on the detachment board as well as the number of community representatives and
  provincial appointments.
- If a municipality and/or First Nation chooses not to participate on a detachment board and forfeits their seat, they will be required to indicate this in the proposal.

#### Q7: Factors to consider when requesting more than one detachment board.

#### A7:

- The CSPA allows an OPP detachment to establish one, or more than one, OPP detachment board.
- Detachments that are considering requesting more than one detachment board should consider factors such as:
  - Geography (e.g. distance between municipalities and First Nations);
  - Variations in population size and;
  - The number of municipalities and First Nations within an OPP detachment; and
  - Service demands (e.g. calls for service).
- However, if proposing more than one OPP detachment board, municipalities and First Nations should also consider challenges associated with recruiting board members (e.g. inability to fill vacancies) and the costs associated with operating additional boards.

### Q8: Will municipalities/First Nations that are receiving policing and/or supports and services by two OPP detachments be allowed to participate on both OPP detachment boards?

#### A8:

- Yes. Municipalities and First Nations that are receiving policing and/or supports and services by two OPP detachments can participate on both OPP detachment boards, or can choose to participate on only one OPP detachment board.
- Representation must be determined in collaboration with the other municipalities and First Nations within the OPP detachment, as a consensus on the composition of the OPP detachment board is required.
- Municipalities that wish to be represented on both OPP detachment boards will be required to cover the costs associated with participating on two boards (i.e. operational costs).

#### Q9: What is considered a "completed" proposal?

#### A9:

- Each detachment will be required to complete one proposal using the digital form provided by the ministry. The link to the digital form can be found here: <u>Ontario Provincial Police Board (OPP) Proposal Form</u>.
- A completed proposal must be submitted using the digital form provided by the ministry and meet the minimum composition requirements provided by the ministry.
- The ministry will work with each detachment to obtain outstanding information/proposals and support them in submitting a completed proposal.
- If however in the end if a proposal does not meet the minimum requirements set by the ministry or a proposal is not submitted, and/or if a detachment is unable to come to a consensus, the ministry will determine the composition of the detachment board.

### Q10: What support will the ministry provide municipalities and First Nations throughout the OPP detachment board proposal process?

- Virtual information sessions, led by the ministry, will be made available upon request for municipalities and First Nation communities to address outstanding questions and clarify concerns related to the proposal requirements and process.
- If your detachment is interested in a virtual information session, or have other inquiries related to the OPP detachment board proposal process, please forward your request to the ministry to Joanna Reading via email at <u>Joanna.Reading@ontario.ca</u>.

#### Q11: What is the purpose of provincial appointments on OPP Detachment Boards?

#### A11:

- Provincial appointees will provide advice to the board as public representatives whose appointments are independent of municipal/band councils.
- However, to ensure members of the detachment board are reflective of the communities they serve, the municipalities/First Nation Chief and Councils will have the ability to nominate individuals for consideration as provincial appointees.

#### Q12: Will the government address the current backlog in provincial appointments?

#### A12:

- We know there are concerns related to the number of vacant provincial appointments and the length of time these appointments remain unfilled.
- We have made significant progress in reducing the backlog of provincial appointments. Since our government took office in 2018, we have filled approximately 124 provincial appointment vacancies on section 10 boards.
- We will continue to work with municipalities and First Nations to ensure provincial appointees are recruited and appointed in a timely manner.

## Q13: Why are First Nations with Self-Administered Police Services not included in the OPP detachment board framework?

A13:

• First Nations that receive policing from a Self-Administered First Nation Police Service (SA FNPS) are not included in the OPP detachment board framework as they are already represented on boards and/or have their own police governing authorities.

In addition, SA FNPS boards have existing relationships and alternate methods to communicate their input to the OPP with respect to supports and services the OPP provides to their communities.

## Q14: Are there other civilian governance options for First Nation communities that are captured within the OPP detachment board framework?

A14:

- As an alternative to participating on an OPP Detachment board, under the CSPA First Nations have the option to request to form a First Nation OPP Board.
- Where a First Nation or multiple First Nations has entered into an agreement with the Minister for the provision of policing and other specified services by the Commissioner, the First Nation(s) may request that the Minister constitute a First Nation OPP board.
- A First Nation OPP board would perform similar functions and responsibilities as an OPP Detachment board by
  providing advice and oversight over the policing services provided by the OPP to a First Nation community or
  communities.
  - This includes determining objectives and priorities, supporting development of the strategic plan, and advising the Detachment Commander with respect to policing provided to a First Nation community or communities.
  - A First Nation OPP board could also establish local policies, in consultation with the OPP, with respect to the detachment's provision of policing.
- Please contact Ashley O'Connell, Indigenous Engagement Unit, Ministry of the Solicitor General at <u>Ashley.OConnell@ontario.ca</u> for more information on requesting a First Nation OPP Board.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### Q15: What training will OPP detachment board members be required to complete?

A15:

- Members cannot perform their duties or exercise any of their powers until they have successfully completed the training identified in the CSPA.
- More specifically, like all other boards and councils governed under the CSPA, OPP detachment board members will be required to successfully complete training with respect to:
  - human rights and systemic racism;
  - the diverse, multiracial and multicultural character of Ontario society;
  - o the rights and cultures of Indigenous peoples; and

• any other training prescribed by the Solicitor General.

Q16: Will municipalities be able to request enhanced OPP policing services (e.g., beyond basic "adequate and effective" policing) under the CSPA?

#### A16:

- Under the CSPA, municipalities that receive policing from the OPP may enter into agreements for enhanced policing services.
- Municipalities will continue to be responsible for funding and implementing enhancements.

Q17: Once the CSPA is in force, will municipalities within a detachment receive one billing statement (i.e., a single invoice for the entire detachment)?

A17:

- There will be no substantive changes to the billing process.
- Municipalities will continue to be billed individually.

### Q18: Will there be an opportunity to provide additional feedback on other OPP-related matters for regulation?

A18:

• All OPP-related matters for regulation will be posted on the Ontario Regulatory Registry for public comment.

From: OPP MPB Financial Services Unit (OPP)
Sent: Thursday, April 8, 2021 3:09 PM
To: Trish Serratore
Subject: Brockton M - 2021 Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Grant Update

Good day,

We are pleased to advise we have received approval to release a portion of the 2021 Court Security Prisoner Transportation grant allotted to your Municipality.

Based on estimated 2021 costs, the Municipality's allotment for the 2021 calendar year is \$296902.

We have asked Ontario Shared Services to issue a credit memo for 25% of the 2021 allotment in the amount of \$74225.

We anticipate the remainder of the grant will be credited in September 2021. Please note that 2020 reconciled CSPT costs will be compared to the actual grant allocated for 2020, and any grant overpayment will be deducted from the outstanding grant allocation. We anticipate that the number of municipalities with grant overpayments is likely to increase this year as COVID restricted access to courthouses across the province and therefore reduced 2020 court security and prisoner transportation costs.

The Ministry's Public Safety Division would like to share the information below with you.

"As you may know, in September 2020, the Ministry of the Solicitor General (ministry) hired an independent consultant, Goss Gilroy Inc., to conduct a review of court security and prisoner transportation in Ontario, including the design of the CSPT Program. "This review is part of the ministry's ongoing work to reduce court delays, leverage technology and improve public safety to build a more responsive and efficient justice system. Municipalities, police services and other justice sector partners were engaged during the review process. The ministry will be reviewing findings and recommendations in the final report which is expected soon. Please note that no changes were made to the 2021 CSPT Program as a result of the review."

Respectfully,

MPB Financial Services Unit