



# DIRECTOR REPORT

To: Chair and Directors

Report Number: DR-BRD-079

From: Brad Sperling, Board Chair

Date: March 21, 2024

**Subject: RCMP Delegation**

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## **PURPOSE / ISSUE:**

To invite representatives from the local Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) detachments to a Committee of the Whole Meeting to receive a review of policing activities over the past year and identify priorities issues for the upcoming year.

## **RECOMMENDATION: [Corporate Unweighted]**

That the Regional Board invite the Dawson Creek, Fort St. John, Chetwynd, Tumber Ridge, and Hudson's Hope RCMP Detachment Commanders to attend Committee of the Whole Meetings at least annually to provide a review of policing activities over the past year and identify priorities issues for the upcoming year in their respective detachments.

## **BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:**

Prior to COVID-19, the Peace River Regional District Board received yearly updates from RCMP Detachment representatives as part of the RCMP's Annual Performance Plan (APP). The APP is a way for the RCMP to improve local community consultation, accountability, and risk management. The AAP is also used to streamline how Detachment Commanders and Unit Commanders consult and validate their community plans with mayors, councils, and regional districts.

The RCMP solicits input from their residents, stakeholders, community leaders, and organizations to capture their communities' needs, concerns, and issues. As priorities can change rapidly, this information is used to ensure that policing services are meeting the demands of the citizens they serve. In past years, information has been shared with the PRRD as part of this community outreach, and the PRRD has been able to provide their input into rural community policing priorities through annual meetings. An invite to the Staff Sergeants to resume their visits to the PRRD would open up this line of communication again and allow the PRRD to continue to be informed about local policing challenges that may exist to inform meetings with Provincial agencies and ministries to advocate for crime reduction policies and programs, and general policing support in the region.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:**

Not Applicable to Strategic Plan