

MEMORANDUM TO: Richard Stubbings
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SUBJECT: **Ministry Planned Inspections of Municipal Police Services and the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP): 2023-24**

I am writing to share information on the Ministry's planned inspections of all municipal police services and the OPP for the remainder of 2023 and into 2024.

Starting in late March 2023, pilot inspections will be conducted at selected police services followed by inspections of all the remaining police services in Ontario and the OPP.

The commencement of the inspections will be conducted prior to the in-force date of the Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA) and therefore the inspections will be conducted pursuant to subsection 3(2) of the Police Services Act (PSA).

As you know, subsection 3(2) of the PSA states the duties and the powers of the Solicitor General are to conduct a system of inspection and review of police services across Ontario.

The intended topics of inspection for 2023 and into 2024 are as follows:

- Public Order Units
- Chief of Police Annual Report to the Police Services Board (O. Reg 3/99 section 31)
- General Regulation Part VIII Investigation of Certain incidents by Chief of Police (O. Reg 268/10 Section 34)
- Follow up to the Major Case Management Inspection

The inspections will start with the Public Order Units followed by the Chief's Annual Reporting, then the requirement to report SIU findings, and concluding with a follow up to the previous inspection on Major Case Management. In order to meet the projected timelines, the inspections will potentially overlap.

Further communication regarding the initiation of the inspection program will be forthcoming to each individual police service.

In addition to the inspection program, the ministry will be requesting a copy of all current municipal/OPP agreements for sharing police services. In anticipation of the CSPA, section 7 of the PSA will evolve into section 14 of the CSPA. Collection of this information will be included in a detailed follow up communique.

Any questions should be forwarded to the Manager of the Policing Inspections Unit, Lynne Haves at Lynne.Haves@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

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