

STANDING COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2021

COMMITTEE ROOM 'A'

YELLOWKNIFE, NT

10:00 AM

AGENDA

1. Prayer
2. Review and Adoption of Agenda
3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest
4. *In-Camera* Matters:
 - a. Correspondence
 - i. Confidential Correspondence from Minister of Education, Culture and Employment (2020-12-01)
 - ii. Confidential Correspondence from Chair of the Financial Management Board (2020-12-15)
 - iii. Confidential Correspondence from Minister Responsible for Status of Women (2020-12-16)
 - iv. Confidential Correspondence from Minister of Justice (2020-12-16)
 - v. Confidential Correspondence from Minister of Health and Social Services (2020-12-17)
 - vi. Confidential Correspondence from Minister of Health and Social Services (2020-12-22)
 - vii. Confidential Correspondence from Minister Health and Social Services (2021-01-11)
 - viii. Confidential Correspondence from Minister for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation (2021-01-12)

- ix. Confidential Correspondence from Minister of Health and Social Services (2021-01-14)
- x. Confidential Correspondence from Minister of Education, Culture and Employment (2021-01-18)
- xi. Confidential Correspondence from Minister of Finance (2021-01-19)
- xii. Confidential Correspondence from Minister of Justice (2021-01-20)
- xiii. Confidential Correspondence from Minister of Education, Culture and Employment (2021-01-20)
- xiv. Confidential Correspondence from Minister of Health and Social Services (2021-01-25)
- xv. Confidential Correspondence from Minister for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation (2021-01-26)

b. Correspondence

- i. Confidential Correspondence from Minister of Education, Culture and Employment (2021-01-21)
- ii. Confidential Correspondence (2021-01-21)
- iii. Confidential Correspondence (2021-01-26)
- iv. Confidential Correspondence (2021-01-21)
- v. Confidential Correspondence

c. Committee Business

d. New Business:

- i. Technical Briefing on Policing

e. Date and Time of Next Meeting: At the Call of the Chair

f. Adjournment

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6. Adjournment

Police Services in the NWT



Presented by: Kim Schofield, ADM DOJ and C/Supt Jamie Zettler
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January 29, 2021



Legislative Authority for the delivery of NWT Policing Services

- *Northwest Territories Act*
 - Section 18: the administration of justice, including the constitution, maintenance and organization of territorial courts — of both civil and criminal jurisdiction — and procedure in civil matters in those courts;
- *Royal Canadian Mounted Police Agreement Act*



Minister's Role as Solicitor General

- Set the strategic direction for policing in the NWT: objectives, priorities and goals for policing
- Provide appropriate resources for policing
- Negotiate the Territorial Police Services Agreement with Public Safety Canada
- Ensure the independence of the RCMP in performing their duties*
- ***RCMP are guided by the federal *RCMP Act* and policy direction from national RCMP headquarters in Ottawa and territorial RCMP headquarters (G Division) in Yellowknife.**



Territorial Police Services Agreement (TPSA)

- National 20-year agreement with mechanism for 3 five-year reviews of the terms
 - Includes roles, responsibilities
 - Cost-shared: 70% NWT, 30% federal
 - 70% budget of \$47M in 2020/2021



The NWT Force - Highlights

- More officers per capita than anywhere else in Canada
- Second highest cost per officer in Canada
- 21 detachments serving 33 communities
- 216 territorial member positions and 42 Public Servant Positions
- 9 First Nations Policing (FNPP) member positions
- 17 federal member positions

Policing in the Northwest Territories



RCMP COMMUNITY & INDIGENOUS RELATIONS, RECRUITMENT AND TRAINING





Community Policing Priorities and Action Plans

- What works in one community...
- Focused on unique needs of community
- Community Action Plans
- Support Collaborative, Coordinated approach

Public safety protocols

- Purpose
- Public Safety Protocols signed
 - Dene Nation
 - NWT Métis Nation
 - Inuvialuit Regional Corporation To be signed:
 - Gwich'in Tribal Council
 - North Slave Metis Alliance



Community Engagement and Cultural Orientation

- Serving communities is at the core of community policing
- The RCMP encourages all of our detachments to engage in community activities across the NWT, such as:
 - Meeting local leaders, chiefs/council and elders in order to build strong relationships with the communities they are serving
- Indigenous and First Nations Awareness training



Recruitment and Training

- Proactive Recruitment in G Division
- OCC Recruiting Initiative
- Depot and Covid19 Impacts
- G Division Training



Reconciliation and diversity



Reconciliation & G Division

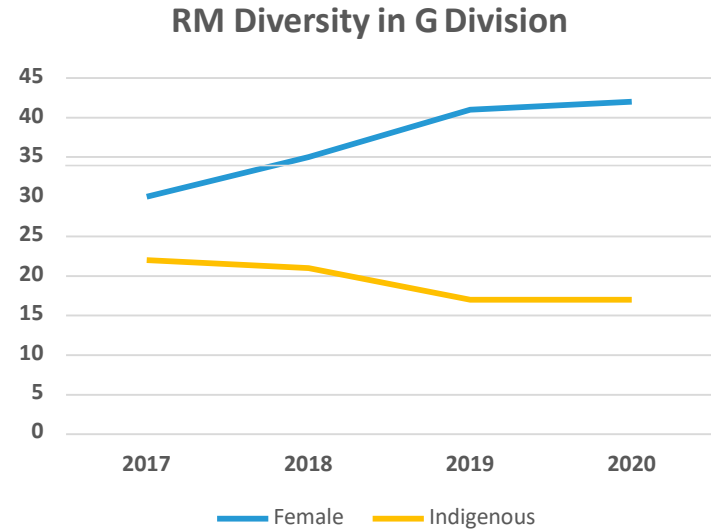
- G Division's Reconciliation Strategy
- Barriers to Reconciliation
- What are we doing?



Reconciliation and Diversity

- Regular Member (RM) Diversity in G Division (2020)
 - Female: 42 (20%)
 - Indigenous: 17 (8%)

By Year	Female	Indigenous	Total
2017	30	22	183
2018	35	21	189
2019	41	17	197
2020	42	17	213



Accountability & Transparency



Public Complaints

- Where to make complaints?
- Who investigates?
- What happens if they're not satisfied?
- Who are the CRCC?





What are we doing?

- Internal File Review
- Independent Officer Review
- Independent Investigation by a Different Division
- Independent External Investigation/Review
- ***How do we know we are on track?***

Policing Small Communities & Meeting Priorities



“G” Division Operational Model for Communities

- The Operational Model outlines targets for the Detachments that provide these policing services
- The Targets include
 - Identifying Policing Needs / Issues
 - Enhancing Service Delivery
 - Partnership-focused
 - Community-driven
 - Monthly reporting



Meeting priorities

- Promoting Confidence in Policing Services
- Adapting to Changing enforcement and Community Policing landscapes
- Continuing to improve the RCMP's response to vulnerable Populations
- Operational and Fiscal Innovations



COVID-19 & crime trends in the Northwest Territories





COVID-19 Calls for service impacts

- Increases in Calls for Service resulting from the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic;
- Most Calls for Service relate to “Mischief” files, with increases predominantly driven by South District and Yellowknife detachment areas;
- Social Disorder (Non-Violent) vs. Criminal Offenses;
- Decreases in certain Call for Service types resulting from more people staying at home / business restrictions (e.g. B&E Business, Shoplifting, Thefts);
- Harassment, assaults and threats potentially linked to more people spending time at home / online;
- Family Violence, Domestic Dispute increases vs Spousal Assault decreases

Discussion

