



## **Community Policing Committee (CPC) Terms of Reference**

### **Definitions**

For the purposes of these Terms of Reference, the following definitions shall apply:

- a) "Township" means the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Tay;
- b) "Committee" means the Community Policing Committee;
- c) "Council" means the governing body of the Township;
- d) "Councillor" means an elected official of the Township, including the Mayor;
- e) "Mayor" means the chief elected official of the Township;
- f) "Member" means an individual appointed to the Committee;
- g) "Municipal Act" means the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended;
- h) "Procedural By-law" means the Township By-law which provides the Rules of Procedure for Council and its' Committees.

### **Purpose**

As a Committee of Council, the Community Policing Committee will support and facilitate interaction between the community and the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP). The Committee will work to improve communication between the community and the OPP, as well as, identify and provide focus on potential solutions to community issues related to public safety.

### **Responsibilities**

The Committee shall:

- a) Discuss programs and operations related to community safety and promote community education and engagement;
- b) Engage in discussion about day-to-day issues faced by members of the OPP in order to develop and foster a mutual understanding between community members and the Southern Georgian Bay OPP;
- c) Share community ideas, opinions and issues raised by community members with the Southern Georgian Bay OPP.

### **Composition**

The Committee shall consist of a minimum of five (5) citizen member appointments and one (1) Council representative, being voting members of the Committee. Up to two (2) members of the Southern Georgian Bay OPP shall sit on the Committee as non-voting



members. Citizen member appointments shall be adopted by Council at the first Regular Council Meeting of each term.

In accordance with the Township's Procedural By-law, the Mayor shall be an ex-officio Member of each Committee, and have the same rights as the other Committee Members, including the right to vote.

Staff representation shall consist of the Protective and Development Services Administrative Assistant and/or their designate and other staff resources, as required. Staff shall be non-voting members and shall not be included to establish quorum. Staff responsibilities as they relate to this committee are limited to agenda creation and minutes recording, as well as related internal administrative processes.

Committee members shall be appointed by by-law for the term of Council, four (4) years, and until their successors are appointed. In the event that a membership vacancy presents itself during the Term of the Committee, Council shall fill the vacancy by appointment without the need to advertise.

### **Chair/Vice-Chair**

At its first meeting of each term of office, the Committee shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair from among its citizen members. If the role of the Chair becomes vacant for any reason during a term of office, the Committee shall elect a new Chairperson from among its citizen members.

The Vice-Chair shall assume the role of the Chair in their absence.

### **Quorum**

A majority of members are required to be present to constitute a quorum.

### **Meetings**

The Committee shall adopt the meeting schedule for the year at the first meeting of each year.

The Committee shall hold regular monthly meetings on the second Monday of each month, excluding the months of July and August. Additional meetings shall be scheduled as considered necessary by the Committee or Chair.

If a member is absent for three consecutive meetings without cause as established by the Committee, the Chair of the Committee at his/her discretion may recommend to Council that the member be replaced.



Meeting agendas shall be prepared and distributed to all Committee members prior to each regular meeting and the business of the Committee shall be taken up in the order in which it appears on the agenda.

Minutes of all Committee meetings shall be prepared by the Committee staff resource and submitted to Council as part of the next regular Council Agenda.

## **Resources**

The Committee shall request members of management, as well as any other individual as is deemed appropriate to participate in Committee meetings as applicable, so the Committee may fulfill its responsibilities.

## **Sub-Committees**

The Committee, as its sole discretion, may pass a resolution to appoint sub-committee(s) on an ad-hoc basis to deal with specific issues relating to its core mandate. A Sub-Committee so appointed shall produce meeting notes to report to the regular Committee's meeting. Appointments to any sub-committee shall be only for the duration of the sub-committee's assignment.

For reference purposes, sub-committees are not required for activities within the Purposes and Responsibilities of the Committee as detailed in this Terms of Reference document.

## **Reporting**

As referenced under the "Meetings" section of this document, the Committee shall report directly to Council through formal recommendations to be considered at the following regular meeting of Council.

The Committee, through the Committee Chair and staff resource, shall report to Council annually as to the Committee's projects and accomplishments.

The Committee shall review the Terms of Reference of the Committee prior to the end of the Council Term and make any recommendations for amendments prior to the appointment of the new Committee.

## **Remuneration**

The public members of the Committee shall receive an annual stipend based on \$25.00 per meeting to a maximum of \$250.00 annually. Committees meeting monthly shall not meet during the months of July and August in order to coincide reflect a scheduled summer recess, unless deemed necessary by the Committee and/or Chair. Committee remuneration is based on a maximum of ten (10) meetings per year.



In addition, public members shall receive compensation for attending events and/or functions outside of regularly scheduled Committee meetings, up to a maximum of \$150.00, as follows:

- Major Events/Functions (4 hours or more) = \$25.00
- Minor Events/Functions (less than 4 hours) = \$15.00

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