



STRATFORD POLICE SERVICE

BOARD POLICY

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ER-005SPSB Crisis Negotiation

Pursuant to *Ontario Regulation 392/23 - Adequate and Effective Policing (General) – Emergency Response* it is the policy of the Stratford Police Service Board with respect to Crisis Negotiation services that:

- a) The Police Service will provide the services of Crisis Negotiator by entering into an agreement for combined, regional or cooperative delivery;
- b) The services will be available 24 hours a day and within a reasonable response time;
- c) A Crisis Negotiator will not perform any incident management role other than Crisis Negotiation;
- d) The Chief of Police will:
 - I. Establish and maintain written procedures that set out the circumstances in which the service will be deployed, including the steps for obtaining the service and the reporting relationships;
 - II. Develop and maintain a manual on crisis negotiation that is available to each member providing this service; and
 - III. Establish a selection process for members who provide this service, including ensuring that members who provide this service meet the requirements of the *Community Safety and Policing Act* and its *Regulations*.
- e) If the Chief of Police establishes and maintains the function of a Crisis Negotiator by a member of this Police Service, the Chief of Police shall:
 - I. Ensure pursuant to section 23 *Ontario Regulation 87/24 – Training* - every police officer whose assigned responsibilities include the responsibilities of a crisis negotiator, as that term is used in *Ontario*

Regulation 392/23 Adequate and Effective Policing (General) made under the Act, shall, before undertaking or continuing to undertake those responsibilities, successfully complete the training prescribed in Regulation; and

- II. Pursuant to section 19 of *Ontario Regulation 392/23 Adequate and Effective Policing (General)* that comes into force on April 1, 2025, ensure that every crisis negotiator shall be provided with at least the equipment and other resources set out in Schedule 1 (Required Equipment and Other Resources) to this Regulation.

"Steve Cousins"

Chair

Approved January 15, 2025

Date