



STRATFORD POLICE SERVICE

BOARD POLICY

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Pursuant to *Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA) Part XV Court Security* and *Ontario Regulation 399/23 – General Matters Under the Authority of the Lieutenant Governor in Council* it is the policy of the Stratford Police Service Board (the Board) with respect to court security that the Chief of Police will:

- a) Ensure the security of judges and other judicial officers and of persons taking part in or attending proceedings;
- b) During the hours when judges, other judicial officers and members of the public are normally present, ensure the security of the premises;
- c) Ensure the secure custody of persons in custody who are on or about the premises, including persons taken into custody at proceedings;
- d) Determine appropriate levels of security for the purposes of Section a), b), and c) of this policy in accordance with the *Regulations*, if any;
- e) Establish a local court security committee, to serve in an advisory capacity to the Chief of Police, comprised of representatives, at minimum, from the Police, Crown, judiciary, local bar, Victim Services/Organizations and Courts Services - Ministry of the Attorney General;
- f) Prepare a court security plan, in consultation with the local court security committee, that adequately addresses local needs and circumstances, and meets the responsibilities in accordance with the *CSPA* and its *Regulations*;
- g) Establish and maintain written procedures on court security that addresses supervision and training;
- h) Ensure that police officers and special constables utilized for court security are supervised and have the competence and experience required to perform the function;

i) Ensure that the police service training plan addresses the training needs of court security personnel with regards to competence and experience required to perform that function;

j) Powers of persons providing court security:

- I. The Chief of Police shall ensure that members who are authorized by the Board to act in relation to the Board's responsibilities under Section 243 (1) of the *CSPA* and its *Regulations* exercise the powers, if reasonable to do so for the purpose of fulfilling those responsibilities outlined in Section 244 (1) of the *CSPA*.

k) Accommodations:

When a member who is authorized by the Board to provide court security, exercises powers under the *CSPA* and its *Regulations* with respect to other persons, they shall ensure that those persons are accommodated in accordance with the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms* and the *Human Rights Code*, and this includes accommodation in connection with creed or disability.

"Steve Cousins"

Chair

Approved January 15, 2025

Date