

# SHELBURNE POLICE SERVICES BOARD



Mayor Wade Mills  
Town of Shelburne  
203 Main Street East,  
Shelburne ON L9V 3K7

April 23, 2021

Dear Mayor Mills and Members of Council:

With reference to the March 18, 2021 outline (memo 132-2021-404) on new OPP detachment board composition and numbers sent by the Solicitor General:

As you are aware, we are currently a 5-member board comprised of 2 council representatives, 2 provincial appointees and one public member council appointment. This is consistent with the minimum requirements the Ministry proposes.

The current Shelburne Police Services Board is not at all in favour of any change to this structure nor do we believe any shared expansion of boundaries or responsibilities outside of Shelburne will best serve the policing needs of our community. This would be especially true as we started a 3-year transition period with the OPP on February 18, 2021. If asked, we are also not in favour of having the Province appoint members; this we believe is better decided at a local/municipal level.

Understanding the Ministries objectives, we believe any future plan for Dufferin County should continue to recognize current and expected differences in size and needs between Shelburne and Orangeville (as easily evidenced now in calls for service/criminal/non-criminal occurrences etc.) and those of our current rural neighbours and colleagues in surrounding municipalities. It would be our view that the number of future boards would be reflective of current policing zones for Dufferin and one that will always need to recognize Shelburne as a distinct and self-contained zone.

Thank you

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Fazackerley". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping loop at the end.

Mike Fazackerley

Board Chair –Shelburne Police Services

CC. Shelburne P.S. Board Members