



SAINT JOHN BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 5, 2024 – OPEN SESSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ **There was a presentation around the proposal for the 2026-2031 Strategic Plan for the Saint John Police at the November 5, 2024, meeting of the Saint John Board of Police Commissioners.**

The presentation outlined the history, purpose, methodology of the previous plan and the issues identified along with the five strategic themes. The recommendations going forward to build on the current 2021-2026 foundation currently in place are Community engagement; Employee engagement; and Board of Police Commissioners' engagement.

The future success of the Saint John Police will be dependent on a solid five-year strategic plan as we continue to provide an exceptional police service delivery model that is accountable, transparent, professional, trusted, and sustainable.

- ❖ **As the Saint John Police continue to utilize foot patrols as a way to engage the community, visibility, gaining insights to understand issues directly from the community members and obtaining feedback are essential in providing policing services to the city. This year Senior Command Team supplemented frontline members and have doubled their foot patrol hours as part of our community engagement initiatives. The foot patrol while spread out across various neighbourhoods, however the focus was on Waterloo village and the uptown business district.**
- ❖ **Chief Bruce recently met with the Chamber of Commerce and discussed some proactive solutions around the protection of property and the increased issue the business community is facing with respect to unwanted people, shoplifting, theft, break-in and damage to property. Looking towards opportunities to work collaboratively with the business owners to address these ongoing issues.**