



# Municipality of Belfast Council Policing Report November, 2023

## Kings District “L” Division Prince Edward Island



**Kings District responded to a total of 21 calls for service in Belfast area during the month of November 2023 which includes self-generated traffic enforcement.**

**409 calls for service in all of Kings District with 21 specific to the Belfast area. This represents about 5% of our total call volume and is on par with the amount of calls received last month.**

**Kings District Annual Performance Plan:**

- (1) Reduce Impaired Driving through enforcement and education;**
  - Enforcement of road safety through SOTs/Warnings**
  - Checkstops targeting impaired operation and other HTA offenses**
  - School based education about Impaired Driving (Drugs and Alcohol)**
  
- (2) Enhance Police visibility / open communication**
  - Monthly ESA Council Meetings and contact with CAO/Mayor and Councils**
  - Participation in Community Events/Festivals/School Activities**
  - Red Serge events**
  
- (3) Quality of Intimate Partner Violence/Sexual Violence investigations and Victim Supports**
  - Excellence within IPV/Sexual Violence Investigations**
  - Off-Site soft interview space usage (reducing barriers and re-victimization of victims of crime.**
  - Flagging of IPV/Sexual Violence investigations for NCO Monitoring**
  - Education and Application of the EPO Process**
  
- (4) Employee Wellness/Leadership Development**
  - Self Directed learning/development and wellness initiatives**
  - Support Colleagues/Create a safe workspace/Open communication**
  - Continued acting opportunities/training/leadership courses and development**
  - Foundations of Leadership: Leadership Essentials Course for Supervisors**

**Reduce Impaired Driving Through Enforcement and Education:** During the month of November Three Rivers saw 24 HTA tickets issued and 12 general warnings. Kings District in total saw 56 HTA tickets issued and 19 general warnings. We also participated in road checks, including ones in partnership with MADD. Additional efforts resulted in 4 investigations of impaired driving and 1 for driving while disqualified.

**Enhancing Police Visibility/Open Communication:** Kings District RCMP are continuing to make efforts to connect with our schools, a few good examples are participation in Southern Kings Lockdown drill, Internet Safety Presentations and attendance to the Remembrance Day display at MRHS and we also participated in seven community memorial events. We also hosted and participated in a family skate in Georgetown. We engaged in other additional visible events that included trophy presentations at the World U17 Challenge and Souris Annual Teddy Bear Parade and we brought in external specialized resources to discuss Fraud prevention with Montague Seniors. We also saw external specialized resources attend Montague to complete separate audits for Detachment Security and quality of our Notebooks which forms part of a National assessment. We heard presentations from Mobile Harm Reduction and we planned with Restorative Justice in an effort to improve the use of successful application of referrals and drafted detachment policy to assist with this. We also saw training at the Detachment for Public Alert Awareness as we continue to see use of this safety tool advance. Our Body Worn Camera pilot is also back underway with a new provider and field testing will soon get underway. We also saw the arrival of a new police service dog and handler, Corporal Baxter and Linkin arrived from Manitoba and are available for Island wide use with training in criminal apprehension, tracking, evidence searched and firearms and drug detection. Finally, hard work and cooperation resulted in the arrest of two prolific offenders who had been evading us for some time. As we look to the future we are excited for repairs to fix damage cause by a purposeful vehicle collision into one of our buildings in August and very excited to have RCMP Commissioner Mike Duheme coming to PEI including a planned visit to Montague Detachment in December.

**Media Relations/PSA's:** We responded to several news worthy files in November including an arson involving a vehicle in Brudenell that resulted in the arrest of an adult male, a 2-vehicle collision on Main Street that caused injury to 1 driver and was determined to be caused by fatigue. 3 Impaired Driving investigations in 24 hours that resulted in arrests and all three matters being brought before the courts and a Murray Harbour event that saw property and person crimes unfold over several days in the community that culminated with an assault against the arresting officer, in total 11 charges were sworn against the individual. We also provided statistics to the Eastern Graphic in relation to shoplifting and other thefts for a story that is pending, overall we remain slightly under our historic average and of note during my research is that a third of all our thefts are gas related and the largest hurdle in securing a charge against any offender is a reluctance on the part of the victim to proceed with the matter criminally and the most targeted locations tend to be on Main Street in Montague.

**Human Resources:** We currently have 20 of 24 members in place. Of the 4 positions vacant, 3 are off for medical reasons and the fourth remains assigned to HQ indefinitely. Constable Andrew Nicholson has arrived and is presently in Regina for two weeks of conversion training. We have two new additional police officer's arriving in the new year, an external police officer from Hamilton Police and a new member from Depot. Both are expected to be on the ground in February or March and we are still expecting Constable Joel Talbot, a lateral transfer from Yukon, sometime in the first few months of 2024.

Should you have any questions or if you would like to further discuss this report, please feel free to reach out to me at your convenience.

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## Municipality of Belfast

### CALLS RESPONDED TO: OCCURRENCE TYPES

	November 2023	October 2023
Assault	1	0
911 calls	4	0
Animal Calls	1	0
Assistance to other Agency	2	0
Crime Prevention	0	0
Driving while disqualified/prohibited	0	1
Harassment	2	1
Causing a Disturbance/Breach of Peace	0	1
Fail to comply with order	0	1
False Alarms	0	3
Firearms	0	1
Family Law/Orders/Agreements	1	1
Fraud (over/under \$5000)/Forgery	1	0
Mental Health Act	1	0
Mischief - damage/obstruct enjoyment	1	1
HTA calls	3	3
HTA tickets issued (speeding)	0	0
HTA tickets issued (moving/non-moving)	0	0
Impaired driving	0	0
Theft (under/over \$5000/shoplifting)	0	1
Trespass Act	0	0
Person reported missing	0	1
Suspicious person/vehicle/property	1	0
Traffic collisions	0	3
Uttering threats	0	0
Unlawfully in dwelling	1	0
Wellbeing Checks	2	2

Total calls for service in Municipality:	21	20
Total calls for service in Three Rivers:	173	240
Total calls for service in South Kings District:	269	351
Total calls for service in Kings District:	409	516