



Policy G08 – Stakeholder Engagement

Purpose

1. Board stakeholder engagement serves to inform the Board’s strategic assessment of community values and expectations, which when considered with community needs informed by public safety statistics, become the basis for the Board’s strategic plan and policies for policing, and subsequent performance evaluation of the Chief and Service.
2. Board stakeholder engagement is not intended to solicit or respond to officer conduct complaints or individual service activities. Refer to the appropriate Complaint policy.
3. Board stakeholder engagement shall not replace or substitute for HRPS stakeholder engagement.

Requirements

4. Stakeholder engagement and delegations at Board meetings shall be encouraged and facilitated in accordance with the legislation and the Procedural By-law.
5. The Board shall maintain stakeholder relations proactively by assigning Board outreach (liaison) responsibilities to the Chair, Board Committees, individual Board Members, the CGO, or the Chief, by way of resolution. Refer to the Strategic Planning policy.
6. No person or body shall bind the Board to any future decision or action, in the course of stakeholder engagement or any other deliberation, other than the Board itself and then only by way of resolution.

Reporting and Evaluation

7. The Board shall annually evaluate the effectiveness of its Board Stakeholder engagements.

Legislative Reference:

CSPA, s. 39