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Deputy Mayor
Town of Okotoks, Alberta

Dear Deputy Mayor;

The Alberta RCMP remains committed to enhancing trust with the communities it serves. Body Worn Cameras are one way to enhance trust by increasing transparency of police interactions with citizens. We want to ensure all Albertans have the confidence that the justice system is there to protect them. As such, included in this Community Policing Report package is an information package on Body Worn Cameras, which will slowly be phased into operations over the latter stages of the year. In terms of costing, the Federal Government recognizes that this was not in the multi-year financial plans for Contract Partners, and thus has agreed to fund the first 3 years of the roll-out. This will further provide some time for Contract Partners to factor this into their future planning processes (i.e. MYFP). As we are still assessing the rollout, we are unable to provide community-specific cost estimates. Once costing is known, we will provide financial forecasting to our communities with Municipal Policing Service Agreements.

Our first priority is always the safety and security of Albertans, and this reporting along with your valued feedback will allow us to assess and enhance our policing service to ensure we are meeting your needs on an ongoing basis. Accountability, efficacy, and transparency are the cornerstones of our service delivery as we continue to address the priorities that are important to your community.

As the Chief of Police for your community, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

S/Sgt. Zane Semaniuk
Detachment Commander
Okotoks Municipal RCMP Detachment.