

**Chief's Verbal Report  
Ottawa Police Services Board  
July 24, 2017**

Good afternoon,

I wanted to share a few things that have been happening at the Ottawa Police Service since we last met.

**Homicide investigation**

Our Major Crime Section continues to investigate a homicide and shootings in the Elmhurst Park area near Alpine Avenue and Tavistock Road this morning.

This morning a man arrived at the Queensway-Carleton Hospital with multiple gunshot wounds. His injuries are serious.

While investigating the shooting of that first victim another male victim was located deceased at about 8:45 a.m. in the area of Alpine Avenue and Tavistock Road.

Frontline officers later discovered another body located nearby.

**Project Flurry**

During the months of April to June 2017, the Ottawa Police Service Street Crime Unit conducted Project Flurry, targeting street level drug dealers in the Byward Market and downtown core.

28 have been arrested and charged. A variety of drugs were being sold including cocaine, amphetamines, heroin and opioid pills. Analysis is still pending on many of the drugs seized.

**Contraband Pills enforcement**

Our Drugs and Street Crime Units continue to be kept busy balancing the multiple drug enforcement priorities facing our community and taking on new challenges like Fentanyl.

Earlier this year our Street Crime Unit started an investigation into drug dealing at high schools in the Kanata and Stittsville area.

Investigators were able to obtain information about 3 drug dealers in the Kanata-Stittsville area selling various drugs including Percocet pills to teens and adults in the community.

Two arrests have been made and two more are pending. A quantity of drugs, cash and drug paraphernalia has been seized. Some of that product is being tested now by Health Canada.

**Sharp-eyed constable**

The fundamentals of policing involve diligence and often thankless hours of observation. But it's that kind of dedication that yields results.

Constable Paul Hartnett was assigned to a neighbourhood that was reporting a higher incidence of break-ins. Patrolling the area in an unmarked car, he saw a vehicle idling in a mall parking lot.

Frontline officers were called to the scene. Upon approaching the car, they found a man with a woman's purse, a jewelry case, and crowbar in plain view on the front seat. A large amount of stolen property, was also later found.

The suspect was also discovered to be in breach of his conditions and was arrested.

### **Canada Day long weekend**

I want to take a moment to thank those involved in security for the Canada Day events. It wasn't easy, and it took a year of planning, but I think the level of security we saw that day was exceptional. The logistics of working with the multiple police jurisdictions here in the Nation's Capital are challenging for any normal event; and having it spread out over three days instead of one added extra considerations.

And with the added pressure of a Royal visit, our team managed to secure the downtown core and ensure that everyone who attended festivities that day went home safely.

I'm proud of everyone who worked that day.

It was a difficult day weather wise, but they all went above and beyond.

We also heard criticism about the length of security lines to enter the Parliamentary Precinct.

I am concerned about those lines as well. For future events we will be working with our Law enforcement partners, both the RCMP and PPS, to ensure we can all support event organizers as they "enhance the experience" for attendees by alleviating queuing and lineup pressures associated to these large events.

We still expect to see some major crowds and events later this year like La Machine next week and the Grey Cup.

### **New CHRO**

Finally, I would like to welcome our new Chief Human Resources Officer to the team.

This is the first day for Lynne Campbell who is joining us from Atomic Energy of Canada where she was the vice president of Human Resources.