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Ottawa Police Services Board renews Deputy Chief Steve Bell's contract for five years

(Ottawa) –The Ottawa Police Services Board is pleased to announce the renewal of Deputy Chief Steve Bell's contract for an additional five years, expiring December 23, 2026.

The Board is very pleased with the leadership role DC Bell continues to play at the Ottawa Police Service (OPS). He brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the position, and continues to lead important work at the Police Service including championing work on equity, diversity, and inclusion, the mental health strategy, and the neighbourhood resource teams. He also continues to manage the Service's response to the pandemic as well as the contributions to the City's Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan.

The OPS is in the midst of a particularly challenging, complex, and transformational time. DC Bell is well positioned to help lead this transition along with the OPS Command Team and the support of the senior leadership at the Service.

The Ottawa Police Services Board is the civilian body responsible for governing the Ottawa Police Service. It is responsible for ensuring the provision of adequate and effective police services to the City of Ottawa's residents.

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