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Digital Tracker Launched for Updates on Fulfilling Recommendations for Improvement

Part of the Board’s ongoing work to increase transparency in reporting to the communities it serves

THUNDER BAY, ON (April 4, 2024) — As part of the plan to improve transparency around the work being done to implement various recommendations, the Thunder Bay Police Service Board is proud to announce the launch of a web portal on the Board’s website that will show updates from working groups on progress being made.

“It is important to show the work being done by members of the Board and its working groups to ensure the recommendations are in place,” **said Chair Karen Machado.** “Ensuring this process is a transparent one is critical as the working groups members move forward in their work.”

Since launching working groups in 2023, the Board and community members joining to support the work have been focused on reviewing all the recommendations and focusing on identifying priority recommendations and working on plans to ensure they are implemented.

Progress will be updated on the Board’s website on an ongoing basis, with reporting to the Board occurring monthly.

When the Independent Expert Panel tabled its final report in 2023, it made an emphasis on the need for transparency and developing an actionable timetable for implementing recommendations.

It was the Sinclair report in 2018, that first recommended the Board develop a website and robust public facing communications. Today’s launch furthers the completion of other work around the implementation of communications and transparency-based recommendations.

“Transparency and ensuring the work is implemented in a meaningful way is how we will build back trust,” **added Machado.**

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