

DURHAM REGIONAL POLICE SERVICES BOARD

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Election of Police Services Board Chair and Vice-Chair

The Durham Regional Police Services Board is pleased to announce that, at its meeting on January 23, 2024, Ajax Mayor Shaun Collier was re-elected Chair of the Board for 2024. Dr. Garry Cubitt was re-elected the Board's Vice-Chair.

"I am delighted to continue to serve as the Chair of the Board in 2024," said Chair Collier. "The Board made many important decisions in 2023, beginning with new leadership under Chief Moreira and the recent hiring of two Deputy Chiefs. Policing is undergoing significant change, and new approaches and investments are needed to ensure that the Service is well-positioned to meet the challenges of the future. This is a critical time for the DRPS and it is imperative that we continue to build a strong and sustainable foundation for community safety that will serve our Region for years to come. I thank the Board members for their ongoing confidence in me to assume the role of Board Chair."

Chair Collier has lived in Ajax since 1969, and has sat on Council since 2003. He is also a local champion for innovation, technology and relationship building. In addition to the Police Services Board, Chair Collier is a member of the Region's Planning and Economic Development Committee and serves on the Board of Directors of Elexicon Corporation. He is also an active member of the Ontario's Big City Mayor's (OBCM).

Dr. Cubitt is the former Chief Administrative Officer for the Regional Municipality of Durham. Throughout his career in municipal services, He has served on numerous boards, including the Board of Governors for Trent University, was a past Chair for both the Durham College of Applied Arts and Technology Board, and the Board of Governors for the Ontario Technical University, and several other municipal boards and committees. He was appointed to the OMERS Sponsors Corporation as a representative of the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards in 2023.

The Durham Regional Police Services Board is the civilian governing body of the Police Service. Its responsibilities include establishing objectives for policing in consultation with the Chief of the Police, setting policies for the effective management of the Police Service, and hiring and monitoring the performance of the Chief of Police. The Board consists of seven members, three appointed by the Province of Ontario and four chosen by Regional Council.