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## Community Safety Officer Program: Update

There have been several inquiries and much public discussion about our Community Safety Officer service over recent months and events. The District of Lakeland wishes to inform the public of the following:

Community Safety Officer (CSO) Jarett Taylor will reassume duties as a Community Safety Officer in the District of Lakeland on Monday September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024. He returns to work under a remedial discipline order, without supervisory responsibilities, following a period of suspension.

A remedial discipline order holds a member of a service accountable for a deficiency in conduct, doing so in a manner that emphasizes the consequence of the deficiency and that gives the member an opportunity to constructively address and to repair the deficiency.

Prior to the District election, CSO Taylor was removed from duty following conduct that was the subject of a public complaint.

Since the election, District officials have worked to address issues with parties affected, and to ensure standards of accountability have been met in a manner that applies *The Police Act* that governs our CSOs. The process has been led by District legal counsel, and has involved communications with the Public Complaints Commission, the Provincial Protective Services (Ministry of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety), the complainant, the Department of Justice, the RCMP, and the Saskatchewan Police Commission.

Restorative work between District officials and affected parties is continuing, and CSO Taylor will himself have a role in that dialogue.

In order to respect personal interests while restorative work continues, it is not intended that there will be further public comment on these matters at this time.

CSO Taylor has worked as a District of Lakeland CSO for 14 years. He does not have any prior discipline on his record.