



May 18, 2023

Kody Blois, MP Kings-Hants
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario
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RE: Impact of Retroactive RCMP Costs on Municipalities

Dear Kody;

This letter is in follow up to previous correspondence by email dated August 18, 2022 and more recently in support of the March 29, 2023 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) statement in response to the federal government decision to pass unbudgeted and unaccounted for RCMP retroactive payment costs on to municipalities without consulting or engaging local governments in the discussions and contract negotiations. The East Hants Council is fully in support of the FCM position that this situation cannot occur again.

As a result, the East Hants Council passed a Resolution (attached) at the April 26, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council calling on the federal government to commit to ensuring that local governments are meaningfully consulted, fully informed, and at the table on issues related to policing costs given the municipal role in keeping our communities safe.

We trust we can count on your continued support and voice on this very important issue.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eleanor Roulston".

Eleanor Roulston
Warden

Attachment