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Chelsea, May 25, 2021 - On November 25, 2020, the *Municipalité régionale de comté des Collines-de-l'Outaouais (MRC)* participated in the public hearings of the *Comité consultatif au sujet de la réalité policière (CCRP)* on the *Livre vert [Réalité policière au Québec : modernité, confiance et efficacité](#)*, tabled in December 2019 by the Deputy Premier and Minister of Public Security, Ms. Geneviève Guilbault.

An advisory committee on the reality of policing was set up to meet with the various players in the police world in order to paint a picture of the major issues relating to police forces.

Following this exercise, the advisory committee submitted today a [report of nearly 500 pages \(French only\)](#), which contains no less than 138 recommendations. The Minister of Public Security, Geneviève Guilbault, is expected to react publicly to the report on Wednesday morning.

From the outset, the MRC des Collines would like to highlight the work of the committee, which was able to identify the issues specific to all police forces and which showed a willingness to place the safety of citizens at the heart of the proposed solutions.

The council of mayors of the MRC des Collines will conduct an in-depth analysis of the document and will return to the community shortly. For now, the MRC is pleased to note that [several recommendations made in November 2020](#) have been retained:

*"Several recommendations of the working group are in line with our concerns: a public safety model based on prevention, proximity to the community and relations with the community are all issues that our human-scale model has been putting forward for several years now.*

*The MRC Council of Mayors believes that the current model of our public safety service has proven its worth even though important changes should be made regarding responsibilities and funding. "We believe that the organization of services in the MRC des Collines largely meets the vision of the working committee. "*

**Ms. Caryl Green, Warden of the MRC and Mayor of the Municipality of Chelsea**

The MRC's brief with detailed recommendations on the Green Paper on policing and the video of the public hearings are available online at the Ministry of Public Safety website:

<https://www.securitepublique.gouv.qc.ca/police/quebec/reflexion-sur-la-realite-policiere.html>

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**About the MRC des Collines-de-l'Outaouais.**

The MRC des Collines-de-l'Outaouais is composed of 7 municipalities: Cantley, Chelsea, L'Ange-Gardien, La Pêche, Notre-Dame-de-la-Salette, Pontiac and Val-des-Monts. The MRC is responsible for the following municipal services: land use planning, police service, municipal court, management of regional waterways, property assessment and sale of real estate, waste management plan, fire safety cover plan, local and regional development in areas such as the economy, support for businesses, culture, agriculture and forestry, social development and public transportation.