

SiRT

SERIOUS INCIDENT
RESPONSE TEAM

Summary of Investigation

SiRT File # 2024-041

Referral from

RCMP “J” Division

June 14, 2024

Erin E. Nauss
Director
September 9, 2024

MANDATE OF THE SiRT

The Serious Incident Response Team (“SiRT”) has a mandate to investigate all matters that involve death, serious injury, sexual assault, and intimate partner violence or other matters determined to be of a public interest to be investigated that may have arisen from the actions of any police officer in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

At the conclusion of every investigation, the SiRT Director must determine whether criminal charges should result from the actions of the police officer. If no charges are warranted the Director will issue a public summary of the investigation which outlines the reasons for that decision, which must include the information set out by regulation. Public summaries are drafted with the goal of adequate information to allow the public to understand the Director’s rationale and conclusions.

In cases where charges are laid, and since the matter is currently before the courts, this report will not discuss the facts of the matter.

SUMMARY

The SiRT received a referral regarding a female who was struck in the face in the course of an arrest on June 13, 2024, in Richmond Corner, New Brunswick. I have determined that there are reasonable and probable grounds to believe that an RCMP officer committed a criminal offence.

On September 9, 2024, Corporal Andrew Whiteway was charged with aggravated assault contrary to s. 268 of the *Criminal Code*.

Corporal Andrew Whiteway will appear before the New Brunswick Provincial Court at 689 Main Street, Woodstock, New Brunswick on October 2, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.