

# *Town of Charlestown*

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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### **Press Release**

The team of Assessors from the Rhode Island Police Accreditation Commission (RIPAC) will arrive at the Charlestown Police Department on March 6, 2017 to examine all aspects of the agency's policies and procedures, management, operations and support services.

Verification by the assessment team that the Charlestown Police Department meets the Commission's standards is part of a voluntary process by which this agency seeks recognition of professional excellence in law enforcement.

As part of the on-site assessment, agency employees and members of the community are invited to offer comments to the assessment team by telephone. The public is invited to contact the Assessment Team at (401) 213-6932 on March 6, 2017 between the hours of 1:00PM and 2:00PM.

Telephone comments are limited to 10 minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with RIPAC standards. A Copy of the RIPAC Standards are available for review at the Charlestown Police Department. Questions concerning compliance with any of the standards may be directed to Lieutenant Michael Paliotta at telephone number (401) 213-6903.

Persons wishing to offer written comments about the Charlestown Police Department's ability to meet the standards for accreditation are asked to write: RIPAC Director, Christine Crocker at PO Box 7877, Cumberland, RI or call (401) 500-2075 or email to [crocker.ripac@cox.net](mailto:crocker.ripac@cox.net).

Accreditation is for three (3) years, during which time the agency must submit annual reports attesting continued compliance with those applicable standards under which they were accredited.

For more information regarding the Rhode Island Police Accreditation Commission (RIPAC) please contact Executive Director, Christine Crocker.