



# Abbotsford Police Department

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### APD NEWS RELEASE:

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### **Incident: Update - APD Officer Suspended and Investigated for Off Duty Conduct**

**Abbotsford – October 17, 2011.**

On Thursday, October 13, 2011, the Abbotsford Police Department forwarded a Report to Crown Counsel concerning Constable Nathan Brown in relation to an off duty incident that resulted in damage to a police vehicle. Crown Counsel approved the charge of Obstruction against Brown based on the discrepancies that existed between the facts of the event and the initial explanation provided by the officer.

The Police Act investigation into the matter is continuing. Constable Brown remains suspended from duty.

### **News Release issued April 29 is below:**

On the evening of April 14<sup>th</sup>, an off duty member of the APD got involved in an incident and is now the subject of an investigation into whether he drove a vehicle while impaired by alcohol. The member had authorization in this instance to drive an unmarked police vehicle home from work. He stopped on the way home at a facility run by the Police Union for use by its members.

The officer collided with a pole and caused moderate damage to the police vehicle while driving home. One aspect of the investigation will focus on how forthcoming the member was when he reported the incident to the APD. The officer has worked for the Abbotsford Police Department for 4 ½ years.

The Abbotsford Police Department has suspended that officer indefinitely, effective today. The Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner has been advised and a Police Act and criminal investigation is underway.

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