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ANONYMOUS REPORTS

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POLICY

1. The Delta Police Department will respond to and investigate anonymous reports.

REASON FOR POLICY

2. To ensure that various situations within the community are not ignored simply because a complainant is reluctant to supply personal information.

RELATED POLICIES

IM33 – Third Party Reporting of Sexual Assaults

PROCEDURES

3. Employees receiving information about a possible offence from a person who is not willing to identify themselves shall attempt to obtain as much detail as possible regarding the incident.
4. Employees can only advise an anonymous complainant that normally the information they provide, as well as their identity, will only become public if criminal charges result, but their anonymity cannot be assured.
5. If receiving anonymous information, police staff shall refer it to a member, and a member shall assess whether to investigate.

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