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Weapons, drugs seized after concerned citizen reports alleged drug transaction to police

Dufferin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers have charged an Orton resident with multiple offences following a traffic stop that resulted in the seizure of a large quantity of cash, weapons, including an imitation firearm, and cocaine.

On Jan. 20, just before 10 p.m., members of the Dufferin OPP B Platoon received information from a concerned resident regarding a possible drug transaction in the area of Fourth Avenue in the Town of Orangeville. Officers located the vehicle while responding to the call, conducted a traffic stop, and spoke with the driver.

Following consultation with the Dufferin OPP Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU), officers continued the investigation, which resulted in the following:

Josh Perkins, 23, of Orton, has been charged with:

? Obstruct plate

? Possession of a Schedule II substance for the purpose of Trafficking (three counts)

? Possession of a prohibited device or ammunition (two counts)

Items Seized:

? 26.7 grams of cocaine

? One bag containing a substance believed to be opium

? One half-filled bottle of codeine

? Two spring-loaded knives (prohibited devices)

? One imitation firearm

? One baseball bat

? One vehicle seized

? Cash seized as proceeds of crime

? One cellular phone

The accused individual is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville.

The accused was held for a bail hearing before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville. The listed charges have not been proven in court.