



The Corporation of the County of Essex

By-Law Number 2024-54

A By-law to adopt Corporate Policy 2024-017 – Closed Meeting Policy for the Corporation of the County of Essex.

Whereas the Section 239 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25 provides that except as provided for in Section 239, all meetings shall be open to the public;

And whereas Section 239(2) and Section 239(3.1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25 provides for the limited exceptions as to when a meeting, or part of a meeting, may be closed to the public, if the subject matter being considered is a matter enumerated in in Section 239(2);

And whereas Section 239(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25 provides for the limited criteria that require a meeting, or part of a meeting, shall be closed to the public, if the subject matter being considered is a matter enumerated in Section 239(3);

And whereas the Council of the Corporation of the County of Essex supports open and transparent decision-making;

And whereas Corporate Policy 2024-017 being the Closed Meeting Policy, as may be amended, from time to time, forms part of this By-law 2024-54.

Now Therefore the Council of the Corporation of the County of Essex hereby enacts as follows:

- 1) **That** By-law Number 2024-54 be given three readings, and shall come into force and take effect after the final passing.
- 2) **That** this By-law Number 2024-54 shall take precedence over any other By-law deemed to be inconsistent.

Read a first, second and third time and Finally Passed this Fourth day of December, 2024.

Hilda MacDonald, Warden

Katherine J. Hebert, Clerk

Clerk's Certificate

I, Katherine J. Hebert, Clerk of the Corporation of the County of Essex, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy, of **By-law Number 2024-54** passed by the Council of the said Corporation on this **Fourth day of December, 2024.**

Katherine J. Hebert, Clerk
Corporation of the County of Essex