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By-law XX-2025

A By-Law to Establish a Records Retention Program Policy for the Corporation of the County of Northumberland and to Repeal By-law 27-12

Whereas Section 254 of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as amended, requires municipalities to retain and preserve the records of the municipality and its local boards in a secure and accessible manner; and

Whereas Section 255 of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as amended, permits municipalities and its local boards to destroy records if a retention period for the record has been established under this section and the retention period has expired or the record is a copy of the original record;

Now Therefore Be It Enacted as a by-law of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland as follows:

- 1. **That** retention periods for all municipal records shall be as set out in the Records Retention Schedule (attached as Schedule "A"); and
- 2. **That** authority for establishing and amending retention periods for the records of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland be delegated to the County Clerk and/or their designate; and
- 3. **That** the Records and Information Management Policy as set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law be adopted and the Clerk and/or designate be authorized to amend the policy from time to time; and
- 4. That By-law 27-12 is hereby repealed.

That By-law XX-2025 be introduced and deemed to be read a first, second and third time, be passed, signed and sealed this 18th day of June, 2025.

Brian Ostrander, Warden

Maddison Mather, Clerk