THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ARRAN-ELDERSLIE

BY-LAW NO. 36 - 2024

BEING A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF **VOTING FOR THE 2026 MUNICIPAL ELECTION.**

WHEREAS the Municipal Elections Act, S.O. 1996, Section 42 (1) (b) enables the Council of a local municipality to pass by-laws authorizing electors to use an alternative voting method that does not require electors to attend a voting place in order to vote;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie considers it appropriate and in the public interest to utilize vote by telephone and internet for the 2026 Municipal Election;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality hereby enacts as follows:

- 1. That the alternative voting methods of telephone and internet are hereby authorized pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Elections Act;
- 2. That electronic vote-counting equipment is hereby authorized pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Elections Act;
- 3. That the Municipal Clerk shall establish procedures and required forms for the alternative voting methods and electronic votecounting equipment in accordance with section 42 (3) of the Municipal Election Act;
- 4. That the Mayor and Clerk shall be authorized to execute the necessary agreements to facilitate the alternative voting method and associated services;
- 5. That By-Law 70-2021 is hereby repealed;
- 6. That this by-law shall come into full force and effect on the date of its passage.

READ a FIRST and SECOND time this 8th day of July, 2024 READ a THIRD time and finally passed this 8th day of July, 2024

Steve Hammell, Mayor

Christine Fraser-McDonald, Clerk