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THE TOWNSHIP OF LEEDS AND THE THOUSAND ISLANDS



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Friday November 27, 2009

Subject: Notice of Intent

The Township of Leeds and Thousand Islands Municipal Heritage Committee was approached by three separate property owners with a request to designate their historically significant property.

Please see the attached Notices of Intent for Locust Grove Farm, W. P. Earl General Store, and Stone Haven.

If you require further detail please contact me by phone 613-659-5128 or e-mail rec-dept@townshipleeds.on.ca.

Sincerely,

Ashley Purvis Recreation and Facilities Coordinator



NOTICE OF INTENT TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Leeds and Thousand Islands intends to designate the following property as a property of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O 1990, Chapter O.18, Part IV.

1. Locust Grove Farm 1066 County Rd. #2 Lansdowne, Ontario.

Reasons for the Proposed Designation

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Locust Grove Farm is an architectural landmark in the Township due to its unique architectural features, location and overall visual impression. It has been featured in several magazines and books. The building began as a typical vernacular style storey and a half stone house in the early nineteenth century and underwent extensive renovations in the 1870's resulting in a combination of Regency proportions with an Italianate renovation with exuberant Gothic Revival details, a new stone façade and roofline.

Locust Grove Farm's cultural heritage value also lies in its association with the Mitchell family, prominent local farmers and business people. The hamlet of Mitchellville with its school, post office (in the Mitchell home), cheese factory, blacksmith shop, and Temperance Hall and arose as a result of the efforts of the Mitchells. Mr. John G. Mitchell was a principal of the group that built the International Bridge in the 1930's as well as being Secretary to a Prime Minister.

The full particulars of the Reasons for Designation for 1066 County Rd. #2, including a list of features to be protected, is available for inspection in the Lansdowne Office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

ANY PERSON MAY, ON OR BEFORE THE 11 DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2009, SEND BY REGISTERED MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE TOWNSHIP CLERK, Notice of Objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement for their reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of Leeds and Thousand Islands will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a Hearing and a report. Dated this 14 Day of September, 2009.

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