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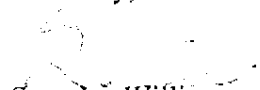
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**Subject: Notice of Intention to Designate
Joshua Creek Heritage Arts Centre/William Bowbeer Farm
Cultural Heritage Landscape
1086 Burnhamthorpe Road East, Oakville, Ontario
Part 1 on Plan 20R-21170**

Attached please find the Notice of Intention to Designate the above-mentioned property which is served upon you in accordance with section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18. (the "Act")*.

Pursuant to section 29 (4.1) of the Act, any person who objects to the proposed designation must file a notice of objection to the designation with the Town Clerk at 1225 Trafalgar Road, Oakville, Ontario, L6H 0H3 no later than **September 10, 2018**.

Sincerely,


Susanna Willie
Planning Clerk/Legislation

Encls.

Cc: Vicki Tytaneck, Town Clerk
Mark H. Simeoni, Director of Planning Services
Nadia Chandra, Assistant Town Solicitor
Diane Childs, Manager, Policy & Heritage Planning, Planning Services
Carolyn Van Sligtenhorst, Heritage Planner

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

On July 9, 2018 Oakville Town Council resolved to pass a Notice of Intention to Designate the following property under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, as amended, as a property of cultural heritage value and interest:

Joshua Creek Heritage Arts Centre/William-Bowbeer Farm
Cultural Heritage Landscape
1086 Burnhamthorpe Road East, Oakville, Ontario
Part 1 on Plan 20R-21170

Description of Property

The cultural heritage landscape is located on a portion of the property known municipally as 1086 Burnhamthorpe Road East, which is situated on the south side of Burnhamthorpe Road East, east of Trafalgar Road and west of Ninth Line. The significant cultural heritage landscape includes the Joshua Creek and valley, as well as the original farmhouse with additions, the converted shed (now a gallery building) and the bank barn.

The meandering creek and its valley define the rolling topography of the property, with the creek and valley lands forming the low point of the property and the house, gallery, and bank barn sited above on higher ground. The area includes mature trees and gardens as well as pathways.

The boundary of the cultural heritage landscape has been defined as Part 1 on Plan 20R-21170.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The cultural heritage landscape that is located on a portion of the property at 1086 Burnhamthorpe Road East, as a whole, has physical/design value as a representative example of an evolved landscape that was used by Canada's first peoples, including the Mississauga, and then transitioned into agricultural land for European settlement and most lately, a space for arts and culture. The cultural heritage landscape includes the farmhouse (built in 1827 with additions in 1853, 1976 and 2006), the remnant structure of an 1827 shed now converted into a gallery and meeting space, a bank barn, concrete silo and concrete bridge, all built circa 1914, the Joshua Creek and valley, mature trees, paths and landscaped gardens.

The cultural heritage landscape that is located on a portion of the property at 1086 Burnhamthorpe Road East has evolved in a way that has incorporated representative components of a 19th to early-20th century agricultural landscape into an art centre set in a rural landscape. Individual structures that contribute to the overall cultural heritage landscape include the 1853 house, which is a representative example of the Neoclassical style, with its symmetrical, three-bay façade, projecting frontispiece, dichromatic brick decorative elements, and cornice and returns. Individual outbuildings are representative of their types and construction materials, in particular the silo and the large bank barn.

The cultural heritage landscape that is located on a portion of the property at 1086 Burnhamthorpe Road East is associated with First Nations land-use of Joshua Creek. The site would have been used for resources (e.g., medicinal plants) and for the spring (now capped) that is located along the creek. The

- The two-and-a-half storey bank barn built circa 1914 with its frame construction and tall rubblestone foundation, and silo;
- The landscaped gardens surrounding the farmhouse and gallery building, in particular:
 - the mature specimen trees, including:
 - the spruce, black walnut, and horse chestnut, which are planted near the house;
 - the old apple tree which is a vestige of an earlier orchard; and,
 - the commemorative trees throughout the site;
- The Joshua Creek valley as a defining natural and topographical feature of the site, with the treed/naturalized banks of the creek on the west side of the property and the open wet meadow around the creek on the east side of the property.

Any objection to this designation must be filed no later than September 10, 2018. Objections should be directed to the Town Clerk, 1225 Trafalgar Road, Oakville, Ontario L6H 0H3.

Further information respecting this proposed designation is available from the Town of Oakville. Any inquiries may be directed to Susan Schappert, heritage planner at 905-845-6601, ext. 3870 (TTY 905-338-4200), or by email at susan.schappert@oakville.ca

The last date to file a notice of objection is September 10, 2018.