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April 30, 2021

Ontario Heritage Trust  
10 Adelaide Street  
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

Pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act, please find enclosed the notice of intention to designate the property at 470 Water Street, Peterborough, Ontario.

Should you have any questions or concerns about the process, please feel free to contact the Heritage Preservation Office at 705-742-7777 ext. 1489 or email [ehanson@peterborough.ca](mailto:ehanson@peterborough.ca).

Sincerely,

John Kennedy  
City Clerk  
City of Peterborough  
500 George Street North  
Peterborough, ON K9H 3R9



IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER O.18;

LOTS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7 SOUTH OF MURRAY STREET & EAST OF WATER ST  
(PETERBOROUGH);

LOTS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & PART LOT 7 ALL NORTH OF BROCK STREET & EAST OF  
WATER ST (PETERBOROUGH),

AS IN A15091 EXCEPT PART 4 ON PLAN 45R2345; PETERBOROUGH

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO: Ontario Heritage Trust  
10 Adelaide Street  
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Peterborough intends to pass a By-law on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021 to designate the property, including land and buildings, known municipally as 470 Water Street, as a property of architectural and/or historical interest or value under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

A Statement of the Reasons for the Proposed Designation of 470 Water Street is attached.

NOTICE OF OBJECTION to the designation may be served on the City Clerk within thirty (30) days, or before 4:30 p.m. on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2021.

John Kennedy, City Clerk  
The City of Peterborough  
500 George Street North  
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## **470 Water Street Peterborough County Courthouse**

The Courthouse property has cultural heritage value or interest as a prominent judicial complex within the city of Peterborough. It is a property which includes the original Courthouse designed by Joseph Scobell, 1879 renovations by John Belcher, 1917 repairs and renovations by William Blackwell, Registry and County Offices addition by Craig & Zeidler in 1960, the Heritage Jail Park, Victoria Park (originally Courthouse Square), and the residence of the caretaker. The Courthouse has been in continuous operation since its completion in 1840, first as the District then County Courthouse and it continues to serve the community in this capacity as the Ontario Court of Justice and Ontario Family Court. It has specific physical and design value as a fine and very early example of a judicial complex from the earliest days of the Province of Upper Canada.

Historically, it has direct associations with and yields significant information regarding the evolution of the judicial system in Ontario from its inception. It also yields information about the importance of location and the relationship between buildings and greenspace which was typical of early courthouse design in Ontario.

Contextually the Courthouse property defines the area as a landmark – in its siting, design, and as an important early judicial building and as one of the earliest public buildings constructed in the town, overlooking one of the town's first public parks. The setting is in the historic centre of Peterborough, giving the building a dignified and prominent place in the community. In many ways, the property has influenced community values over the course of its 180-year history.