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September 27, 2023

Highland Park Lawn Bowling Club Inc.

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Ottawa, ON

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**RECEIVED**  
2023/11/27  
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Ontario Heritage Trust

Dear [REDACTED]

**RE: Designation of the Highland Park Lawn Bowling Club, 439 Golden Avenue, under  
Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act***

This letter is to advise you that Ottawa City Council, at its meeting of September 27, 2023 approved the following recommendation in respect of the above-noted item:

**That Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate the Highland Park Lawn Bowling Club, 439 Golden Avenue under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act according to the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value.**

A copy of the complete report in this matter, as well as the Disposition/Minutes of the City Council meeting of September 27, 2023 can be found on the City's website at [ottawa.ca/agendas](http://ottawa.ca/agendas).

Enclosed is the Notice of Intention to Designate, served according to the *Ontario Heritage Act*, to be published online at [Ottawa.ca/heritagenotices](http://Ottawa.ca/heritagenotices) on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023. You will have 30 days from the publication date, until November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, to file an objection to the designation. Should you wish to object to the designation, you may do so by submitting a notice of objection in writing, outlining the reasons for the objection and any other relevant information. The notice must be received by the Clerk of the City of Ottawa within 30 days after the online publication of this notice.

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The notice of objection can be submitted via email to [CityClerk-HeritageObjections@ottawa.ca](mailto:CityClerk-HeritageObjections@ottawa.ca), or via registered mail or in-person delivery, by appointment, at the following coordinates:

David White, Interim City Clerk  
c/o Mélanie Blais, Acting Committee Coordinator  
110 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 1J1, mail code 01-71

To make an appointment, please contact Mélanie Blais, Acting Committee Coordinator at (613) 580-2424, ext. 27005, or at [melanie.blais@ottawa.ca](mailto:melanie.blais@ottawa.ca). When an objection has been received, City Council will consider the objection including all relevant information within 90 days after the end of the objection period. After consideration of the objection, Council may decide to withdraw the Notice of Intention to Designate or to pass a by-law designating the property under the *Ontario Heritage Act*. Should Council pass a by-law to designate the property, there will be further correspondence from the City on how you may appeal this decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

Should you require further information, please contact Taylor Quibell, Heritage Planner, at (613) 580-2424, 74708 or by email at [taylor.quibell@ottawa.ca](mailto:taylor.quibell@ottawa.ca).

Regards,



Caitlin Salter MacDonald  
Deputy Clerk for David White  
Interim City Clerk

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             Taylor Quibell, Heritage Planner, City of Ottawa ([taylor.quibell@ottawa.ca](mailto:taylor.quibell@ottawa.ca))  
             Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust ([registrar@heritagetrust.on.ca](mailto:registrar@heritagetrust.on.ca))

Encl.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE 439 GOLDEN AVENUE AS A PROPERTY OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST, PURSUANT TO SECTION 29 (3) OF THE *ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18**

**DATED AND PUBLISHED** at the City of Ottawa this 6th day of October 2023.

**TAKE NOTICE** that the City of Ottawa, on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 established its intention to designate 439 Golden Avenue under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for its cultural heritage value.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**

The Highland Park Lawn Bowling Club (HPLBC), at 439 Golden Avenue has a large lawn bowling green and a one and a half storey clubhouse, with outbuildings fronting Byron, Golden, and Ravenhill Avenue in Ottawa's Highland Park neighbourhood. The construction of the one and a half storey clubhouse coincided with the opening of the club in 1914.

**STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST**

The Highland Park Lawn Bowling Club has design value as a representative example of early 20<sup>th</sup> century clubhouse architecture. Despite alterations, the colour, massing, and form contribute to its role as a recreational clubhouse.

The HPLBC has historical value because it yields information that contributes to an understanding of the Highland Park community development. During the early development of Highland Park, the club was an integral part of the community, further enticing people to settle in the area. It became a selling feature for Highland Park and a focal point of social life in the area. Serving as a sports club, community gathering place, and event centre for over a century, the HPLBC has played an important role in shaping the area's social life and growth.

The HPLBC holds historical value for its part in the history of sport and society in Ottawa. The clubhouse and greens reflect the evolution of lawn bowling and stand as a remnant of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century middle class lifestyle when sports and recreational clubs gained immense popularity, coinciding with the increasing leisure time of the emerging middle class.

The HPLBC also has associations with activities, significant individuals, and organizations both in the community and beyond. Original owner and long-time member John E. Cole was instrumental in the creation of the club. Many influential members and past presidents of the club also contributed to the success of the club and the popularity of the sport provincially and nationally.

The HPLBC has contextual value as a notable local landmark that maintains the character of Highland Park. The club is well-known and has been in continuous use as a sports club since 1914. Its prominent location on a corner and large manicured grass bowling green in front of the clubhouse is a recognizable landmark in the community. The property represents an important part of Highland Park's evolution into a suburb. Its contextual relationship within the surrounding area and historical and visual connection

to the residential neighbourhood is important in supporting the character of this part of the historic west end.

## DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES

Key exterior attributes that contribute to the heritage value of the Highland Park Lawn Bowling Club as a representative example of an early 20<sup>th</sup> century lawn bowling facility include:

- Modest understated form and one and a half storey massing of the clubhouse including the following:
  - Simple wood frame construction and materiality, clad in white horizontal siding and green accent details.
  - Side gable and small cross gable
- The clubhouse's orientation and setback from the road facing the large, manicured grass bowling green.
- The large, open lawn bowling green at the corner of Golden and Byron Avenues

Key attributes that demonstrate its contextual value include:

- Its prominent siting at the corner of Byron, Golden, and Ravenhill Avenues.

The interior of the building and outbuildings are excluded from the designation.

## OBJECTIONS

Please be advised that any person wishing to object to this designation may do so under the objection process set out in Section 29 (5) of the *Ontario Heritage Act* by giving the Clerk of the City of Ottawa, within 30 days after the online publication of this notice, a notice of objection outlining the reasons for the objection and any other relevant information.

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For further information, and for a complete copy of the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Attributes, please contact: Taylor Quibell, [taylor.quibell@ottawa.ca](mailto:taylor.quibell@ottawa.ca) 613-580-2424 x 74708.