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# UNDER THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

## Notice of Intention to Designate

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF the lands in the Town of Halton Hills known municipally as 28 Mountain St., Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the Ainley House.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Halton Hills intends to designate the property at 28 Mountain St. under Section 29(1), Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

### Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The Ainley House at 28 Mountain Street has significant physical and design value as a unique example of an interpretation of the Queen Anne Revival style within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills. Reflecting the wealth of its original owner, the home features architectural details consistent with the style including its asymmetrical façade, steeply pitched and irregular roofline, front facing gables, overhanging eaves, unusual windows, and detailed textures. The house features many details displaying a high degree of craftsmanship, including the decorative wooden porch over the main entrance on the front elevation with detailed woodwork and decorative brackets, providing shelter in front of the entrance with stained glass transom above. The Ainley House continues to be an excellent representative example of the Queen Anne Revival style in Glen Williams and a reminder of the milling industry that established this community.

The Ainley House and property at 28 Mountain Street are directly associated with the early milling industry in the community of Glen Williams. The Williams' Woollen Mills were sold to John Sykes (1833-1909) and Norman Ainley (1858-1938) in 1889, however the businesses remained connected to the Williams family through the wife of its general manager Harry Holdroyd, who was Joseph Williams' daughter. The company was a significant employer in the community and built worker's housing within the community to accommodate their employees. Their company would operate in the Glen under many names and different owners until the mid-1950s. In 1939, the Ainley House was purchased by Olive Logan. Logan was an active community member in the Glen, and was a member of the Glen Methodist Church, the Verdun Rebekah Lodge, the Business and Professional Women's Club, the Bridge Club. Logan also worked in the office at Alliance Paper Mills, another link to the historic industries within the communities that make up the Town of Halton Hills.



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The Ainley House has significant contextual value as it has remained extant within its original location along Mountain Street in the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills for over 135 years. The existing residence is physically, functionally, visually, and historically linked to its surroundings within the residential community and near the historic mills of Glen Williams along the Credit River. The house, while stately in form and unique in its architecture within the community, is set back from the right of way and has not been identified as a landmark in the community.

The heritage attributes of the property at 28 Mountain Street that contribute to its physical and design value are identified as follows:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing building along Mountain Street in the community of Glen Williams, Town of Halton Hills;
- The scale, form, and massing of the existing two-storey red brick building with cut stone foundation and asymmetrical roof with brick chimney;
- The materials, including red brick exterior, stone sills, brick detailing, and decorative wooden detailing throughout;
- The front (southeast) elevation, including:
  - The central two-storey projecting bay, featuring segmentally arched window openings with brick hood moulds and stone sills;
  - At the first storey:
    - The single door opening with transom window above;
    - The wooden porch on the west end of the front elevation with steeply pitched roof and decorative wooden detailing and columns on a stone base;
    - Brick course that extends along the first storey below the window openings;
    - Beneath the gable peak, the wooden scalloped shingles, flat-headed opening with decorative surround beneath the gable peak, and decorative woodwork above.
- The side (southwest) elevation, including:
  - The segmentally arched window openings at the first and second storeys with brick hood moulds and brick courses, featuring stone sills;
- The side (northwest) elevation, including:
  - The shed-roofed dormer with single window opening above the side addition;
  - The one-storey brick bay to the rear with segmentally arched window openings with brick hood moulds and stone sills at the first storey;
  - At the second storey, the segmentally arched window openings with brick hood moulds and stone sills;
  - The flatheaded window opening beneath the gable peak.

The heritage attribute of the property at 28 Mountain Street that contributes to its historical and associative value is identified as follows:

- The legibility of the property as a unique late-nineteenth century example of a Queen Anne Revival residential building within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills.



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The heritage attributes of the property at 28 Mountain Street that contribute to its contextual value are identified as follows:

- The legibility of the property as a unique late-nineteenth century example of a Queen Anne Revival residential building within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing building along Mountain Street in the community of Glen Williams, Town of Halton Hills; and,
- The scale, form, and massing of the existing two-storey red brick building with cut stone foundation and asymmetrical roof with brick chimney.

The interiors, rear elevation, rear one-storey addition, one-storey accessory structure, and sunroom addition on the northeast elevation have not been identified as heritage attributes as part of this report.

Further information respecting the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and proposed designation of 28 Mountain Street (refer to Report PD-2025-053) is available by contacting Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning for the Town of Halton Hills at 905-873-2600 x 2358 or by email at [lloney@haltonhills.ca](mailto:lloney@haltonhills.ca).

Any person may, by November 9, 2025 (within 30 days after the date of the publication of this notice) serve written notice of objection to the proposed designation to Laura Loney together with a statement for the objection and all relevant facts.

Dated at the Town of Halton Hills this 10th day of October 2025.

Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning, Planning and Development, The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2.