



An agency of the Government of Ontario



Un organisme du gouvernement de l'Ontario

This document was retrieved from the Ontario Heritage Act e-Register, which is accessible through the website of the Ontario Heritage Trust at **[www.heritagetrust.on.ca](http://www.heritagetrust.on.ca)**.

---

Ce document est tiré du registre électronique, tenu aux fins de la *Loi sur le patrimoine de l'Ontario*, accessible à partir du site Web de la Fiducie du patrimoine ontarien sur **[www.heritagetrust.on.ca](http://www.heritagetrust.on.ca)**.

MAR 25 2015

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT,  
R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18  
AND IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS

**18 Kathleen Street**

IN THE CITY OF GUELPH,  
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE**

TO: Ontario Heritage Trust  
The Ontario Heritage Centre  
10 Adelaide St. East  
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

AND: [REDACTED]  
18 Kathleen Street  
Guelph, ON N1H 4Y2

**TAKE NOTICE THAT** the Council of The Corporation of the City of Guelph is intending to designate the property known as 18 Kathleen Street as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

**Location of the Property:**

The property at 18 Kathleen Street is situated on the west side of Kathleen Street, north of London Road, in the City of Guelph. The legal description of the subject property is: Part Lot 14 Plan 30 (amended by Plan 182) as in MS100410 s/t and t/w MS100410.

**Why the property is being designated:**

Constructed in 1928, 18 Kathleen Street is an excellent example of Colonial Revival and Neo-Georgian architecture. The 2.5-storey house is rectangular in form with a side-gable roof, and a front façade of three bays with a centre door and symmetrically placed windows. At both ends of the front façade an original rainwater head continues to proclaim the house construction date of 1928. The front entrance with a broken pediment, flanking columns and a semi-circular transom fanlight clearly identifies the Neo-Georgian architectural style. A secondary entrance is provided on the south wall through a small open porch with treillage.

18 Kathleen Street has a significant historical association with its original owner William Alexander Cowan, a well-known architect and builder in the Guelph area during the first half of the 20th century. William A. Cowan designed and built many houses in Guelph, but 18 Kathleen Street was built for himself and his family. William A. Cowan was quite involved in civic affairs and for many years was a member of City Council.

The subject property and 19 Lyon Avenue were connected to a builder's yard established in the early 20th century by the family contracting business of Walter S. Cowan and subsequently William A. Cowan. William A. Cowan had a vision to create a shared garden area for the houses he had built on Lyon Avenue, London Road, and Kathleen Street.

**What is to be protected by designation:**

The following features are being protected by designation:

- The form of the side gable roofline of the original building and the south side extension (including return eaves and denticulated entablature),
- The brick chimneys rising from both side gable peaks,
- All exterior brick walls of the original building (including stone keystones, stone sills and the south extension),
- Original eave troughs, downspout and rainwater heads (dated 1928) on the front façade of the house,
- The shape and location of all original door and window openings,

- Original windows (frames, sashes, glazing and louvered wooden shutters, hardware),
- The front door surround with broken pediment, flanking columns, original 6-panel door with semi-circular transom fanlight,
- The stone front steps and flagstone path to the sidewalk,
- All original features of the open south-side porch,
- The original, detached, brick garage with 3-section folding door, and
- Three original brick fireplaces (two on south wall of main floor; and one on north wall of top floor).

It is intended that non-original features may be returned to documented earlier designs or to their documented original design without requiring City Council permission for an alteration to the designation.

For more information  
 Stephen Robinson, Senior Heritage Planner  
 Planning Services  
 519-822-1260 x 2496  
 stephen.robinson@guelph.ca

**To send a notice of objection**

Any person may send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the City of Guelph, a notice of objection to this proposed designation, setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. Notices of objection must be received by the Clerk of the City of Guelph before April 23, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. If a notice of objection is received by that date the Council of the City of Guelph shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

**Dated** at Guelph, Ontario, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

Stephen O'Brien, City Clerk  
 City Hall  
 1 Carden Street  
 Guelph, Ontario  
 N1H 3A1