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The Corporation of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne

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January 8th, 1985

REGISTERED MAIL

Ontario Heritage Foundation
77 Bloor Street West
Toronto, Ontario M7A 2R9

Dear Sirs:

Re: Stone Bridge - Lyndhurst - Leeds County

Pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980 Chapter 337, Section 29 ss (6), we hereby serve, by registered mail, a copy of by-law 1-1985, designating the Lyndhurst Bridge, and a separate page setting out the reasons for the designation.

Yours truly,

Alexia M. Landon

Encls.:

- 1 copy of By-law 1-1985 with original signatures
- 1 copy of Reasons for Designation

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF REAR OF LEEDS AND LANSDOWNE

BY-LAW NUMBER 1-1985

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS THE LYN DHURST BRIDGE IN THE HAMLET OF LYN DHURST AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337, as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural or historic value or interest, and

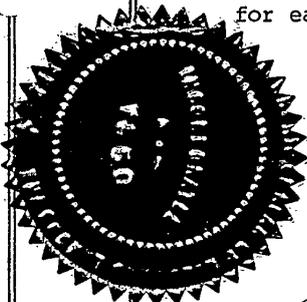
WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne has caused to be served on the owners of the Lyndhurst Bridge and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in the same newspapers having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks; and

WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the clerk of the municipality;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property known as the Lyndhurst Bridge in the hamlet of Lyndhurst, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached.
2. The municipal solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper land registry office.
3. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in the same newspapers having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME THIS 7th DAY OF JANUARY, 1985, AND GIVEN UNDER THE SEAL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF REAR OF LEEDS AND LANSDOWNE AND PASSED THIS 7th DAY OF JANUARY, 1985.



Ray Greenham
REEVE

Oliver M. Landa
CLERK-TREASURER

SCHEDULE "A"

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the County of Leeds, Township of Lansdowne, Concession 10, Part of Lot 3, being the bridge on the Leeds & Grenville County Road No. 2 crossing Lyndhurst Creek above the dam separating the Upper and Lower Mill Pond, more specifically shown as Part of Charles Street on Plan 38 for the Village of Lyndhurst, said bridge being known generally as the Lyndhurst Bridge.

LYNDHURST BRIDGE

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

The Lyndhurst Bridge over the Gananoque River was built in 1856-57 and is therefore the oldest bridge in Ontario. It was designed by John Donald Roddick who was born in Scotland and came to Lyndhurst about 1853. It is reminiscent of older bridges that are still preserved in Scotland. Architecturally it is composed of three slightly flattened Roman arches of equal height and width but spaced unevenly to take advantage of a rock island in the stream. The side walls are built of local sandstone, laid randomly, and interrupted only by the pattern of the voussoirs and the cap on the parapet. The vaults of two of the arches pass under the roadway at an angle to the long axis of the bridge. At both ends the walls curve out into a wide flare, and terminate in round pillars. The buildings on both sides of the river were built in respect to the alignment, length, width and height of the bridge. Historically, it was the focal point of the larger community in the days when five mills operated at the foot of the falls. The arches of the bridge divided the water between the joint owners of the water rights, one of whom was John Roddick. The mill stones from Henry Green's mill are preserved as caps on the pillars at the east approach. The bridge is still the focal point of the community.