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William Edward Barrow
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Dear William and Marsha Barrow:

Re: Heritage Designation – Butchart Estate, 915 5th Avenue East, Owen Sound

City Council at its meeting held on April 6, 2009, adopted the minutes of the Community Planning and Heritage Advisory Committee meeting held on March 31, 2009 which contained the following motion:

"THAT the Community Planning & Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Council proceed with *Notice of Intention to Designate* the Butchart Estate, 919 5th Avenue East, based on information contained in Appendix 'A' of the 'Heritage Designation of the Butchart Estate' report dated February 27, 2009 from the Heritage Coordinator, and attached hereto as a statement of cultural heritage value or interest."

Please accept this letter and attachment as your Notice of Intention to Designate the Butchart Estate located at 915 5th Avenue East as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990.

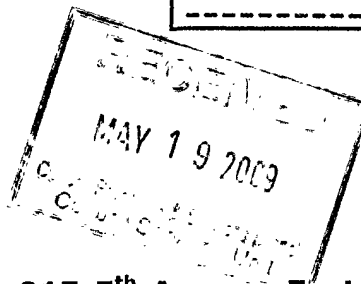
Notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts, may be filed with the Clerk of The Corporation of the City of Owen Sound before June 7, 2009.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Sandra Parks, Heritage Coordinator at 519-376-1440.

Yours truly,

Marion I. Koepke, C.M.O.
City Clerk
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c: S. Parks, Heritage Coordinator
Ontario Heritage Trust



NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Owen Sound intends to designate the property, including lands and buildings, at the following municipal address as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990.

Description of the Property – The Butchart Estate, 919 5th Avenue East

The Butchart Estate is located at 919 5th Avenue East, on the east side of the street, bounded by 10th Street East to the north and 9th Street East to the south, in the City of Owen Sound.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The Butchart Estate's design or physical values lie in it being one of the best examples of the Queen Anne Revival style of architecture in Owen Sound. Typical of this style, it features an irregular plan, with both hipped and gabled roofs, projecting and offset bays, porch and tower, and is distinguished by variety and complexity of detail. The original 1891 structure and its 1924 architecturally sympathetic addition contain materials and finishes which display a high degree of artistic merit in design and craftsmanship in construction.

The Butchart Estate has strong historical or associative value because it was built and lived in by the Butchart family for more than 60 years. D.M. Butchart was instrumental in the development of the Canadian Portland cement industry as well as Owen Sound and area's local business community. Possibly designed by Owen Sound's premiere architects of the day, Forster and Clark, The Butchart Estate has decorative plaster work created by local craftsmen, the Miller Brothers.

The property has contextual value because The Butchart Estate is important in defining, maintaining and supporting the original character of this street – especially in light of future new construction to the north and east; and with its conversion to a popular bed & breakfast facility, it has become physically, visually and historically linked to its surroundings.

Description of the Property's Heritage Attributes

Key exterior attributes that embody the heritage value of The Butchart Estate as one of the best examples of Queen Anne Revival style architecture in Owen Sound include:

- original 2½-storey irregular plan house & 1924 addition
 - truncated hip roof of house, shallow pitched hip roof of 1924 addition, gable roofs, conical tower roof & wooden shingles, including tower finial & weather vane
 - multi-flue chimney shafts in red brick
 - four dormers in roof attic
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- all wood doors, trim & decorative painted shingles on exterior of original house, tower & 1924 addition, including two small porches on east & south façades
- all brickwork, including foundations & window & door heads & trim on original house, tower & 1924 addition
- rusticated stone of foundation, tower & window sills
- all wood sash windows of the original house, tower & 1924 addition
- curved glass of tower windows, stained, leaded, bevelled & textured glass of all windows & doors of original house, tower & 1924 addition

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available from the Community Services Department, Planning Division.

Notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts, may be filed with the Clerk of the City of Owen Sound before June 7, 2009.

Dated at the City of Owen Sound this the 8th day of May, 2009.

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