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THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD

BY-LAW NO. 2133-2008

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE AUGUSTA WILCOCKS HOUSE TO BE OF CULTURAL HISTORIC VALUE AND INTEREST PURSUANT TO PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT.

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WHEREAS pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.0.18 the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property including buildings and structures thereon to be of cultural historic value and interest;

AND WHEREAS the County Planning Committee, at their March 4, 2008 meeting recommended to County Council to designate the Augusta Wilcocks House as a building of cultural historic value;

AND WHEREAS Notice of Intention to designate the property known as the Augusta Wilcocks House has been published and served in accordance with the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 and no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been received;

NOW THEREFORE, UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF SECTION 29 OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. **THAT** the property known as the Augusta Wilcocks House and more particularly described in Schedule 'A' attached hereto and forming part of this by-law is hereby designated as being of cultural historic value and interest for the reasons set out in Schedule 'B' attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
2. **THAT** the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served on the owner of the property, [REDACTED] and on the Ontario Heritage Trust.
3. **THAT** the property be added to the Municipal Register referred to in Section 27(1) of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990.
4. **THAT** notice of this By-law be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.
5. **THAT** the County Solicitor is hereby authorized to register a copy of this By-law against the real property as described in the foregoing in the Land Registry Office.
6. **THAT** the provisions of this by-law shall come into force and effect on the day of final passing thereof.

THIS BY-LAW READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 10 TH DAY OF March, 2008.


Victoria Leskie, Clerk


Leo Finnegan, Mayor

SCHEDULE 'A' TO BY-LAW NO. 2133-2008

Property Description:

The subject lands are described as Part of Lots 78 & 79, Registered Plan 24
Town of Picton, civic address 352 Main Street, Ward of Picton, in the
Municipality of the County of Prince Edward.

Reasons for Designation:

HISTORY

There is evidence to suggest that there was a building on this lot as early as the 1850's, however, the present Queen Anne Revival style house dates to the late 1890's. At that time, Augusta Wilcocks purchased the property from the estate of her father, James Carter. Augusta and her husband Horace, a prominent Picton merchant, lived in the house until 1911. An enormous Gingko tree (*gingko biloba*), thought to pre-date the house, is growing in the garden on the south side.

ARCHITECTURE

The house is a very fine example of the Queen Anne Revival style. It is a 2 storey frame building with a hipped roof with prominent architectural features. These features include a prominent 3 storey turret with a bell-shaped roof with decorative shingles. The turret's original porthole-shaped windows have been replaced with rectangular vents. A large decorative pediment containing 3 small windows faces Main Street.

The front verandah circles around the turret and extends across most of the façade. The protruding 2 storey central entrance is covered with a small decorative pediment. A triangular arched window above the entrance provides visual continuity between the entrance and the roof. Part of the original second-storey open balcony with its decorative top rail remains while the other part, between the entrance and the turret, has been enclosed. Windows of various shapes, sizes and trim details abound on all sides.

HERITAGE VALUE

The house has design value because it displays a high degree of craftsmanship and is a very fine example of the Queen Anne Revival architectural style, which was prominent in the 1890's.

The property has contextual value because it is important in supporting the character of that portion of Main Street (between Shire Hall and the fairgrounds) in Picton which contains many large 19th Century homes.

The house and adjacent yard containing the large Gingko tree give the property further contextual value because together they form a prominent Picton landmark.

Heritage Attributes

- Size and form and architectural ornamentation of the Queen Anne Revival style house
- Orientation toward Main Street, Picton
- Many and varied rooflines
- Size and shape of the turret and its decorative shingles
- Decoration in the large gable facing Main Street
- Decorated pediment over the front entrance
- Open upper level balcony facing Main Street
- Open verandahs on both sides of the main entrance
- Round pillars and decorative trim of the verandahs
- Open circular verandah at base of the turret
- Wood clapboard on exterior walls
- Size and shape and position of all exterior windows and doors
- Mouldings around all exterior windows and doors
- Gingko Biloba tree in the adjacent garden