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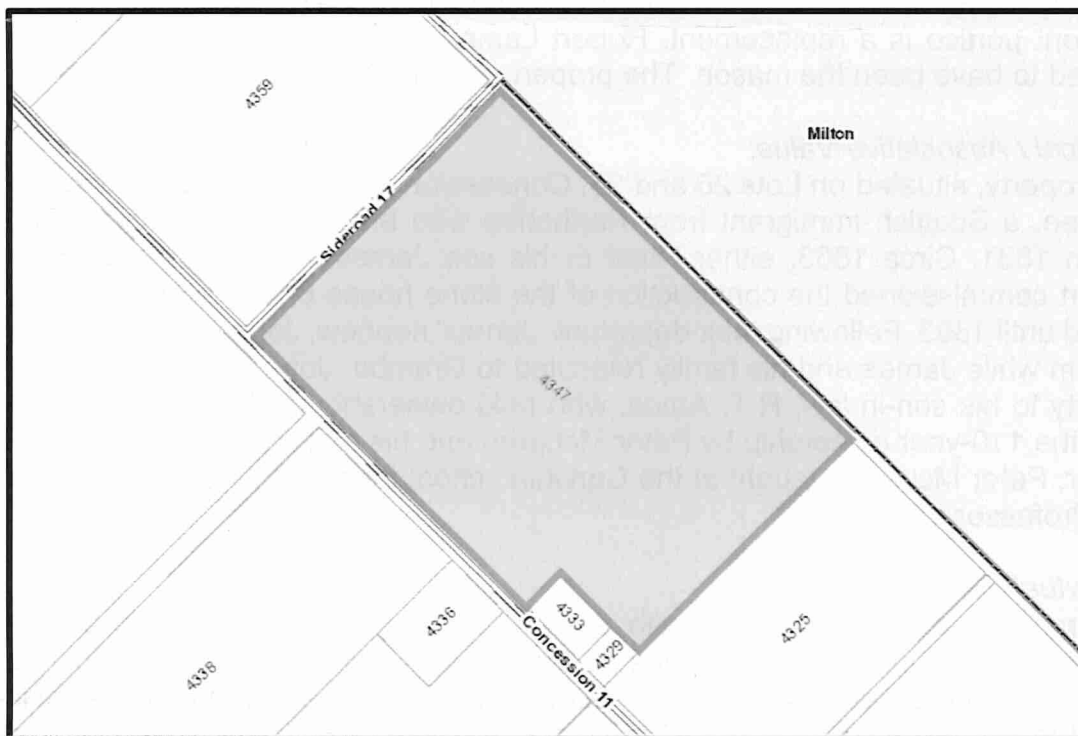


THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE 4347 Concession 11, Puslinch

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch intends to designate at 4347 Concession 11, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under section 29, Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18. as authorized by Township of Puslinch Council through Resolution No. 2024-336.

Description of the Property

The subject property is described as being Concession 11 Part Lots 25 and 26 Part RD;Allow, municipally known as at 4347 Concession 11, Puslinch.



(Key Map Showing Location of 4347 Concession 11, Puslinch)

Short Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The property, situated at 4347 Concession 11, Puslinch, meets the requirements for designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the three categories of design/physical value, historical/associative value, and contextual value.

This property holds significant cultural heritage value retained in its exceptionally fine Neoclassic architecture rendered in stone. It is historically linked to the McLaren family, and Highland Scots immigration from Perthshire to the Corwhin and Badenoch areas of the Township. It is contextually related to properties with similar architecture from the

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same period on Wellington Road 34, Watson Road and Arkell Road, including properties built by Robert Lamb, stonemason.

Design Value:

The residence on the property is an outstanding representation of domestic architecture in a Neoclassic style of the mid-1860s. The two-storey stone residence with side gabled roof illustrates features of this style including; a five-bay symmetrical front façade with central entranceway with transom and sidelights, large double hung vertical windows on both stories, and paired stone chimneys. A one and one-half storey side-gabled kitchen extension with gabled dormers and a large stone chimney is at the rear, perpendicular to the main part of the house. The front facade of the house is squared ashlar limestone with lime mortar, large tooled limestone lintels, sills and quoins. The side facades are coursed limestone and the extension is random coursed rubble stone. Decorative bargeboard trim in an elegant open weighted scallop pattern is applied along the roofline of the main part of the house with large turned vertical finials at gable ends and peaks. The front portico is a replacement. Robert Lamb, son-in-law of the property builder is believed to have been the mason. The property is named "Stonefield."

Historical / Associative Value:

The property, situated on Lots 25 and 26, Concession 11, was initially acquired by Peter McLaren, a Scottish immigrant from Perthshire who arrived in the Corwhin/Badenoch area in 1831. Circa 1863, either Peter or his son James McLaren and wife Margaret Stewart commissioned the construction of the stone house on the property, where they resided until 1883. Following their departure, James' nephew, John McKenzie, purchased the farm while James and his family relocated to Drumbo. John McKenzie later sold the property to his son-in-law, R.T. Amos, who held ownership until 1944. With the sale in 1944, the 110-year ownership by Peter McLaren and his extended family ended. Jame's brother, Peter McLaren, taught at the Corwhin school for over 20 years and was named "The Professor of Puslinch."

Contextual Value:

The property seamlessly aligns with and enhances the character of the area as it contributes to a series of properties in the eastern part of the Township that were constructed in the Neoclassic style for Scots from Perthshire. Among these residences are notable examples such as the Duncan Campbell, and Duncan McFarlane properties. Robert Lamb was also the stonemason for the Arkell Teacherage and the property at 4677 Watson Road South in Puslinch. The property and those in the area serve as physical evidence of the collective significance of Highland Scot settlement during the late 18th to mid-19th century in the landscape and culture of Puslinch Township.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 4347 Concession 11:

- Original door and window fenestrations
- Limestone masonry walls, lintels and sills

- Bargeboard scallop ornamentation and finials
- Stone chimneys
- Height, scale, and massing of original two-storey property and one-and-one-half story original kitchen extension

Notice of Objection

Any person may send a notice of objection to this proposed designation, before 4:00 p.m. on November 16, 2024. This notice must be sent by registered mail or delivered to the Clerk of the Township of Puslinch, and must set out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. If a notice of objection is received, the Council of the Township of Puslinch shall consider the objection and make a decision whether or not to withdraw the notice of intention to designate the property within 90 days after the end of the 30-day objection period. If Council decides not to withdraw its intention to designate, a heritage designation bylaw must be passed within 120 days after the date of publication of the notice of intention to designate. Council must publish a notice of passing of the designation bylaw which is followed by a 30-day appeal period when appeals of the bylaw may be given to the Ontario Land Tribunal for a hearing and decision.

Dated October 17, 2024

Justine Brotherston,
Municipal Clerk
Township of Puslinch
7404 Wellington Road 34, Puslinch, ON N0B 2J0

CC: Property Owner
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