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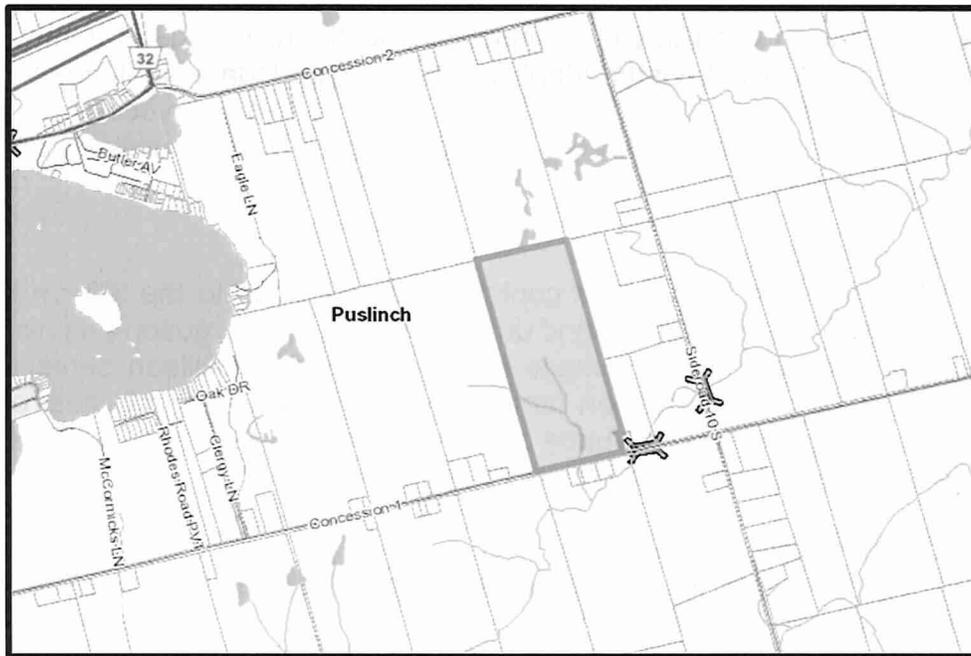


## THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE 6714 Concession 1, Puslinch

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch intends to designate at 6714 Concession 1, 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 part Lot 9 Con 1 Township of Puslinch as in MS114229 except Pt 1 61R10545; Township of Puslinch municipality known as at 6714 Concession 1, Puslinch.



(Key Map Showing Location of 6714 Concession 1, Puslinch)

### **Short Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest**

The property situated at 6714 Concession 1, 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.

The design of the property is a complex of early commercial and domestic architecture, rare in the Township of Puslinch. The property is historically associated with Highland Scots immigration to the area and the early commercial and postal history of the Killean. The property is contextually associated with the Killean cemetery and the Concession 1 extant properties built by the Scottish families who emigrated there.

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### *Design Value:*

The property consists of two joined structures. The earliest building is a one and one-half storey front gabled fieldstone building erected by Donald Ferguson c. 1865 as a commercial building to house a general store, a post office and included the family domicile. The extant 1860s commercial architectural elements include the double-doored first storey entrance with transom, and single large rectangular display windows on either side, originally with 12/8 mullioned panes. The second story has two six over six mullioned windows placed above the display windows.

In 1869 Ferguson built a front-gabled fieldstone one and one-half storey farmhouse adjacent to the rear of the store and connected to it by a single-storey stone extension that served as the post office.

### *Historical /Associative:*

Donald Ferguson was born in Inverness Shire Scotland and emigrated to this property on the First Concession of Puslinch, an area settled and occupied by Highland Scots from the parish of Killean in the Kintyre peninsula in Scotland. Ferguson named the store "Scotch House" and as Postmaster, identified the location legally as "Killean". The farm and its farmhouse were named "Glenmore". The property served as an important commercial and social centre for the area. Ferguson was a community leader in Killean and a Justice of the Peace.

### *Contextual Value:*

The Donald Ferguson property holds contextual significance to the Killean landscape. The adjacent Killean cemetery is on land donated by Donald Ferguson and his neighbour John Thomson and serves as a private burying ground for Killean settlers and their descendants, including the Ferguson family. The Ferguson store and post office are a landmark on a streetscape that includes other extant properties from the mid-to-late 19<sup>th</sup> century built by Scots from the Kintyre peninsula.

### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 6714 Concession 1.

#### Donald Ferguson House and Store Complex:

- All original door and window fenestration
- Extant original windows and doors
- Fieldstone exterior walls, sills and lintels.
- Height, scale, and massing of c. 1865 one and one-half storey general store structure and c. 1869 residence

### **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  
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CC: Property Owner  
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