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**Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury**

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February 18, 2025

**VIA REGULAR MAIL**

Ontario Heritage Trust  
10 Adelaide Street East  
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

To whom it may concern:

**RE: Notice of Intention to Designate:**

3778 County Road 88

3423 County Road 88

1641 County Road 27

4381 Line 10

4029 Line 6

**Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury**

On November 18, 2024 and February 4, 2025, the Council of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury resolved to give notice of intent to designate the following properties under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, as they are of of cultural heritage value and interest.

<b>Armson Wood House (c.1845)</b> 3778 County Road 88 Part of Lot 5, Concession 7, West Gwillimbury; being Part 1 on Plan 51R-35148
<b>Goodfellow-Williams House (c.1865)</b> 3423 County Road 88 Part of Lots 7 and 8, Concession 6, West Gwillimbury; being Part 3 on Plan 51R-25981
<b>Hughes House (c.1850)</b> 1641 County Road 27 North Part of Lots 1 and 2, Concession 2, West Gwillimbury; being Part 1 to 3 on Plan 51R-2168
<b>Merrick House (c.1880)</b> 4381 Line 10 North Part of Lot 24, Concession 10
<b>West-Howard House (c.1845)</b> 4029 Line 6 Part of Lot 3, Concession 5, West Gwillimbury; being Parts 1 and 2 on Plan 51R-14106

The purpose of this letter, as prescribed in Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act is to give Notice of Intent to Designate to the Ontario Heritage Trust. Additionally, Notice of Intent to Designate has been mailed to the owners and has been included in the February 20, 2025 webpage of Bradford Today and posted to the Town's Website. .

Please see the attached 'Notice of Intention to Designate' which includes the required description of property, statement of cultural heritage value and description of heritage attributes.

We trust the above is satisfactory. Should you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours truly,



**Thomas Dysart** BURPI, MCIP, RPP | **Senior Planner** (he/him)  
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**Attachment 1:** Notice of Intention to Designate

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE**  
*PURSUANT TO SECTION 29 OF THE*  
*ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, AS AMENDED*

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, resolved to give notice of intent to designate the following properties, under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, as the following properties are of cultural heritage value and interest:

**Armson Wood House (c.1845)**

3778 County Road 88

Part of Lot 5, Concession 7, West Gwillimbury; being Part 1 on Plan 51R-35148  
Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

*(Notice previously given on November 18, 2024)*

**Goodfellow-Williams House (c.1865)**

3423 County Road 88

Part of Lots 7 and 8, Concession 6, West Gwillimbury; being Part 3 on Plan 51R-25981

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*(Notice previously given on November 18, 2024)*

**Hughes House (c.1850)**

1641 County Road 27

North Part of Lots 1 and 2, Concession 2, West Gwillimbury; being Part 1 to 3 on Plan 51R-2168

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

*(Notice previously given on November 18, 2024)*

**Merrick House (c.1860)**

4381 Line 10

North Part of Lot 24, Concession 10

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

**West-Howard House (c.1845)**

4029 Line 6

Part of Lot 3, Concession 5, West Gwillimbury; being Parts 1 and 2 on Plan 51R-14106

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*(Notice previously given on November 18, 2024)*

To view the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for the above noted properties please see: [www.townofbwg.com/heritageplanning](http://www.townofbwg.com/heritageplanning)

### **Additional Information**

Any questions regarding this notice should be directed to the Office of Community Planning, (905) 778-2055, ext. 1403 or email at [tdysart@townofbwg.com](mailto:tdysart@townofbwg.com).

### **Right to Object**

Any person, whether representing an organization or private interest(s), may object to the proposed designation. Objections of the Notice of Intention to Designate the property may be served on the Town Clerk in writing by mail or email using the contact information below.

**Notice of objection must be received with thirty (30) days of the Notice and must set out the reasons for the objection and be supported by the relevant facts.**

#### **By Mail**

Tara Reynolds, Clerk  
100 Dissette Street, Units 7 & 8,  
P.O. Box 100  
Bradford ON L3Z 2A7

#### **By Email**

[treynolds@townofbwg.com](mailto:treynolds@townofbwg.com)

Dated at the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025

## **West-Howard House c. 1845**

The subject property has been researched and evaluated to determine its cultural heritage significance according to Ontario Regulation 9/06. This Regulation, defined in the *Ontario Heritage Act*, outlines several criteria for determining whether a property is of cultural heritage value or interest. For a property to be designated under section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, it must meet two or more of these criteria, which are outlined below. By using these criteria, staff can determine if the property's cultural heritage value or interest merits designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

### Description of Property

The property at 4029 Line 6 is located on the south side Line 6. The property contains a c.1845 one and a half storey Ontario Vernacular Farmhouse. Due to its association with early settler families it is known as the West-Howard House.

### Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

#### *Design/ Physical Value*

The West-Howard House has design and physical value as representative example of an Ontario Vernacular farmhouse. The house was built around 1845 and has elements of the Vernacular Style which includes: an end gable roof featuring a five bay façade.

#### *Historical/ Associative Value*

The West-Howard House has historic/associative value for its direct association with the Howard and West family. Both families were early settlers in the Bradford/West Gwillimbury community. Both families were active farmers, which contributed to the growth and development of the Town. *Contextual Value*

The West-Howard House has contextual value because it defines and supports and maintains the character of the agrarian routes of the community.

### Description of Heritage Attributes

*Key heritage attributes of the West-Howard House that exemplify its heritage value as a Ontario Vernacular farm house as it relates to the one and a half storey residential building include:*

- *Gable End Roofs*
- *Five Bay Façade*
- *Stone Smoke House in rear of property*

More information about the history of the subject property can be found in the Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report, prepared by the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

Municipal Heritage Committee (August 2024).