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VILLAGE OF ROCKCLIFFE PARK

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Ministry of Citizenship and Culture
Heritage Branch
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Dear Sirs:

Re: Heritage Designation - 150 Lisgar and 17 Mariposa

Attached is a copy of By-Law 89-34 passed at the July 10th Council meeting designating 150 Lisgar and 17 Mariposa to be of historic and architectural value or interest.

yours truly,

M. MacLean

Murray E. MacLean
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

MEM/mb
Attach.

VILLAGE OF ROCKCLIFFE PARK

BY-LAW 89-34

A By-law of the Corporation of the Village of Rockcliffe Park to designate 160 Lisgar Road ("Crichton Lodge") and 17 Mariposa Avenue to be of historic and architectural value or interest;

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980 c 337 "the Act" authorizes the Council of the Municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic and architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Rockcliffe Park Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee has recommended to the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Rockcliffe Park that 17 Mariposa Avenue and 160 Lisgar Road be designated under Part IV of the Act.

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Rockcliffe Park has caused to be served upon the owners of the lands and premises known as 17 Mariposa Avenue and 160 Lisgar Road and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real properties and has caused such notice of intention to be published in "The Citizen", a newspaper having general circulation in the Village of Rockcliffe Park once a week for three consecutive weeks, namely on Friday May 26, Friday June 2 and Friday June 9, 1989.

AND WHEREAS the reasons for the designations are set out as Schedule "B" hereto;

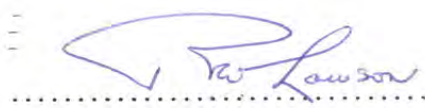
AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designations has been served upon the Clerk of the Village of Rockcliffe Park ;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Rockcliffe Park enacts as follows:

1. There is hereby designated as being of historic and architectural value or interest the real properties more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto known as 17 Mariposa Avenue and 160 Lisgar Road ("Crichton Lodge") pursuant to Part IV of "the Act".
2. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the properties described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper land registry office.
3. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served upon the owners of the properties described in Schedule "A" and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of this By-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Village of Rockcliffe Park.
4. The Schedules attached hereto and marked Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" form part of this By-law and all notations references and other information contained therein shall be as much a part of this By-law as if all the matters and information set forth by the Schedules were all fully described herein.

GIVEN UNDER the Corporate Seal of the Corporation of the Village of Rockcliffe Park this 10th day of July, 1989.


.....
Clerk


.....
Acting Mayor

SCHEDULE "A"

For that property known municipally as 17 Mariposa Avenue:

FIRSTLY:

Those lands and premises located in the following municipality, namely, in the Village of Rockcliffe Park, in the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton (formerly County of Carleton) and Province of Ontario and being composed of Part of Block 5-A, as shown on a plan registered in the Registry Office for the County of Carleton as Number 92, more particularly described as follows -

COMMENCING at a standard iron bar which defines the point of intersection of the established Northwesterly limit of Mariposa Avenue, with the North easterly limit of Lisgar Road, as presently established;

THENCE North, 57 degrees, 36 minutes East, along the said established Northwesterly limit of Mariposa Avenue, eighty feet (80.0') to an iron bar therein planted;

THENCE North, 16 degrees, 51 minutes West, seventy-two and sixty-two one-hundredths feet (72.62') to an iron bar planted;

THENCE North 33 degrees, 52 minutes West, twenty feet (20.0') to an iron bar planted;

THENCE North 42 degrees, 24 minutes West, forty and fifty four one-hundredths feet (40.54') to an iron bar planted;

THENCE North 31 degrees, 17 minutes West, forty-three and ninety-eight one-hundredths feet (43.98') to the Southerly limit of Lot 24, as shown on a plan filed in the Office of Land Titles at Ottawa as M-60;

THENCE South 83 degrees, 46 minutes, 05 seconds West, along the last mentioned limit forty-one and ninety-seven one-hundredths feet (41.97') to the South Easterly angle of the said Lot 24;

THENCE South 13 degrees, 34 minutes, 16 seconds East, forty-nine and forty-six one-hundredths feet (49.46') to a point;

THENCE South, 55 degrees, 35 minutes, 05 seconds West, seventy-two feet (72') more or less to a point in the established Northeasterly limit of Lisgar Road, distant four and seventy-seven one-hundredths feet (4.77') measured Southeasterly along the said limit of Lisgar Road from its intersection with Southeasterly limit of Lot 23, as shown on the said Land Titles Plan M-60;

THENCE Southeasterly along the said established Northeasterly limits of Lisgar Road, one hundred and forty-six and five-tenths feet (146.5') more or less to the point of commencement.

AND SECONDLY:

That certain parcel of land situate in the Village of Rockcliffe Park, in the County of Carleton and Province of Ontario, namely,

Part of Lot 24 on Plan M-60 filed in the Office of Land Titles, Ottawa, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at an iron bar planted in the Northerly limit of said lot 24, distant 82.70 feet measured Westerly thereon from the Northeasterly angle of the said Lot 24.

THENCE South 31 degrees, 17 minutes East, 11.04 feet to the Southerly limit of the said Lot 24.

THENCE South 83 degrees, 46 minutes, 05 seconds West, 41.97 feet to the Southwesterly angle of the said Lot 24

THENCE North 6 degrees, 13 minutes, 55 seconds West, 10.0 feet to the Northwesternly angle of the said Lot 24.

THENCE North 83 degrees, 46 minutes, 05 seconds East, along the Northerly limit of Lot 24, 37.3 feet to the point of commencement.

And for that property known municipally as 160 Lisgar Road (Crichton Lodge):

that certain parcel of land registered under the Land Titles Act as Parcel 1335 in the register for Carleton, situate in the Village of Rockcliffe Park in the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton and Province of Ontario, namely,

Lots 118, 119, 120 and 121 on the West side of Cochrane Street and Lots 133, 134, 135, 136 and 137 on the East side of Lisgar Road on Plan M-33 filed in the Office of Land Titles, Ottawa.

SCHEDULE "B"

STATEMENTS OF REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATIONS

'CRICHTON LODGE' 160 LISGAR ROAD

Situated at the junction of Princess Avenue and Lisgar Road, 'Crichton Lodge' is recommended for designation under the Ontario Heritage Act for its historical associations with the origin of Rockcliffe Park and with the McKay family, its architectural design and its setting.

Built ca. 1887, 'Crichton Lodge' belongs to the initial phase of development of the McKay Estate and was, for some considerable time, the only house in the area. The original owner, Thomas McLeod Clark, operated a brickyard located near Cloverdale and North Lansdowne Road to take advantage of the whitemarl near McKay Lake. His wife, Jessie McKay, was the daughter of the founder of Rockcliffe Park, the Hon. Thomas McKay. 160 Lisgar Road was named 'Crichton Lodge' in honor of her mother's maiden name. In 1949, the Norwegian government, following the trend towards the establishment of diplomatic residences in the Village after the Second War, bought Crichton Lodge for its ambassador.

One of a handful of Victorian stone houses in Rockcliffe Park, 'Crichton Lodge' displays the texture and details of this type: bay window, tall chimneys, decorative bargeboards and spiky pinnacles atop the asymmetrically arranged gables. In spite of the many additions to the house and adjoining coach house, the character of a rambling country residence has been successfully retained. This effect is enhanced by its surroundings that strongly reinforce the rural ambience so characteristic of the Village.

In view of its historical importance, its architectural character and its setting 'Crichton Lodge' is recommended for heritage designation.

17 MARIPOSA AVENUE

17 Mariposa Avenue is recommended for heritage designation under the Ontario Heritage Act because of its historical associations with Rockcliffe Park's founding family, its distinctive architectural character and its contribution to the rural ambience of the Village.

Erected ca. 1909 on land that formed part of the original McKay estate, the house was probably built by Thomas Coltrin Keefer for his nieces, Annie and Jessie McLeod Clark who were granddaughters of the Hon. Thomas McKay, builder of the Rideau Canal and founding father of Rockcliffe Park Village. From this house, the McLeod Clark sisters maintained their family's connections with nearby Government House, built by their grandfather, until their deaths in the 1940's. The early construction date for 17 Mariposa Avenue associates it with the initial phase of the Village's development.

Situated on well-treed land near Pine Hill, the McLeod Clark house has an architectural character that reflects its rural setting. Vaguely British and Gothic Revival in tone, 17 Mariposa Avenue features a gambrel, cottage-type roof, stucco walls with partial shingle siding, diamond-shaped window panes, French doors and a hexagonal conservatory with mock battlements. The conservatory, an addition of 1913, is the work of Ottawa architect C.P. Meredith. Although the site has been reduced in size and has lost the original double circular drive, it retains sufficient evidence of spacious lawns and varied gardens -- from fruit trees to wild flowers -- to reinforce the sense of comfortable living in a country setting.

17 Mariposa Avenue merits designation for its historical associations, architectural character and contribution to the rural environment of Rockcliffe Park Village.