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January 5, 2012

[REDACTED]  
58 Bridge Street  
PICTON, ON K0K 2T0

Dear [REDACTED]:

Re: Owens House c. 1847

In accordance with the requirements of the Ontario Heritage Act, I am enclosing a copy of the "Notice of Passing". I am also enclosing a copy of the "Designating By-law No. 2980-2011, which was passed by Council December 21, 2011, for the above noted property. The County's Solicitor has been instructed to register this by-law against the title of the subject property.

The properties will be added to the Prince Edward County Heritage Properties Register. This completes the designation process.

Thank you for your contribution to protecting the built cultural heritage of Prince Edward County.

Yours truly,

*jr* Ryan Leary, BES RPP  
Senior Planner & PEHAC Staff Liaison

Encl.  
Cc: PEHAC Chair  
Ontario Heritage Trust

**CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD**

**By-Law No. 2980 - 2011**

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**A By-law to Designate the William Owens House  
To be of Cultural Heritage 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 heritage value and interest;

**AND WHEREAS** the Committee of the Whole, at their November 24, 2011 meeting recommended to County Council to designate the William Owens House as a property of cultural heritage value and interest;

**AND WHEREAS** Notice of Intention to designate the property known as the William Owens 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**, the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the property known as the William Owens House and more particularly described in Schedule 'A' attached hereto and forming part of this by-law is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage 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, the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [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 take effect pursuant to Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.O.18, as amended.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 20th day of December, 2011.

*Victoria Leskie*  
Victoria Leskie, CLERK

*Peter A. Mertens*  
Peter A. Mertens, MAYOR



Certified A True Copy

this 21 day of December, 2011

*Kim White*  
Kim White  
Deputy Clerk  
County of Prince Edward

**SCHEDULE 'A' to By-Law No. 2980 - 2011**

**Property Description:**

The subject lands are described as Part of Lots 1035, 1036 & 1037, Registered Plan 24, being Part 1, Plan 47R-5310, civic address 58 Bridge Street, Ward of Picton, in the Municipality of the County of Prince Edward.

**SCHEDULE 'B' to By-Law No. 2980 - 2011**

**Reasons for Designation:**

**Cultural Heritage Value**

This attractive stone house stands on land deeded by the Crown to Reverend William Macaulay. In January of 1847, a carpenter named William Owens purchased the lot for 40 pounds sterling. On the lot stood a log cabin which was "a disgrace to the neighbourhood" and which was once used by a blacksmith named Pye. William Owens became one of Picton's leading citizens with businesses in lumber, shipbuilding, farming and potash. He served on town council for 23 years and was mayor for eight years. The house remained in his family until 1920.

The property has design value because of its limestone exterior, unusual trapezoid shape and low pitched roof characteristic of mid-19<sup>th</sup> century

The property has contextual value because it is one of a handful of stone homes in the old village of Picton and is located between two other heritage properties on Bridge Street – Eyre's Inn and the Foster House.

**Heritage Attributes**

- Size and form and footprint of the stone building
- The profile and elevation of the house
- Trapezoid shape of building
- Trapezoid shape of chimney
- Low roof pitch
- Views of the house from Bridge and Head street
- Orientation and proximity to Bridge and Head streets
- Limestone construction
- Size, shape and position of windows and doors