

The lands we know today as the Township of Puslinch have been home to Indigenous peoples since time immemorial. We acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Hatiwendaronk, as well as the treaty lands and traditional territory of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee.

With increasing encroachment by non-Indigenous settlers in the Township of Puslinch, the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee could not continue their traditional lifestyle and settled in their villages along the Credit River and in the Grand River Valley. These Indigenous nations uphold their Treaty Rights within our jurisdiction.

Today, the Township of Puslinch remains home to Indigenous peoples from across Turtle Island. We are grateful to have the opportunity to share and respect Mother Earth and are committed to building constructive and cooperative relationships with the Indigenous nations.

October 17, 2024

Dear Property Owner,

Township of Puslinch Council is seeking to preserve and protect built heritage within the community. There are many tools available to do so, the most valuable being a heritage designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

This letter is to inform you that Township staff will be holding a Heritage Designation Open House on Wednesday November 6th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Puslinch Community Centre (23 Brock Rd S). This Open House is for residents who are interested in learning more about the heritage designation process. At this Open House, property owners will be able provide feedback regarding the draft Statements of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for their property (enclosed in this letter).

For those unable to attend the Open House, a recording of the presentation will be made available online through the Township's website. The Township has also developed a webpage with additional information regarding the heritage designation process which can be viewed at <a href="https://example.com/Pusilinch.ca/HeritageDesignation">Pusilinch.ca/HeritageDesignation</a>.

I look forward to having the opportunity to become familiar with your heritage building.

Sincerely,

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