



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH
NOVEMBER 3, 2025 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
VIRTUAL MEETING BY ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION &
IN-PERSON AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE –
7404 WELLINGTON RD 34, PUSLINCH

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AGENDA

DATE: November 3, 2025

MEETING: 1:00 P.M.

CLOSED MEETING: Directly following item 8.1 Workshop

≠ Denotes resolution prepared

1. Call the Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Moment of Reflection
4. Confirmation of the Agenda ≠
5. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest
6. Delegations
7. Consent Agenda ≠

7.1. September 8, 2025 Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes



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7.2. Township of Puslinch Council Resolution 2025-321 regarding 9.4.7 Report COR-2025-047 – Heritage 2026 Part II Designation

Recommendation:

That the Consent Agenda items listed for the November 3, 2025 Heritage Advisory Committee meeting be received for information.

8. Reports ≠

8.1. 1:05 P.M Workshop – Heritage Advisory Committee 2026-2030 Strategic Plan

Recommendation:

That the workshop – Heritage Advisory Committee 2026-2030 Strategic Plan be received for information.

8.2. Report – HER-2025-016 – Heritage Designation Deferrals ≠

Recommendation:

That Report HER-2025-016 entitled Heritage Designation Objections be received; and,

That the Committee [affirm/withdraw] the recommendation for designation of 4453 Sideroad 20 North; and,

That the Committee [affirm/withdraw] the recommendation for designation of 7243 Concession 1; and,

That the Committee [affirm/withdraw] the recommendation for designation of 7201 Concession 1; and

That the Committee [affirm/withdraw] the recommendation for designation of 4 Victoria Street; and,

That the Committee [affirm/withdraw] the recommendation for designation of 6926 Wellington Road 34.



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8.3. Report – HER-2025-017 – 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives Update ≠

Recommendation:

That report HER-2025-017 entitled 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives Update be received for information.

9. Closed Session – Pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 for the purpose of:
 - 9.1. Confidential verbal report regarding litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local boards – Potential matters heard by Ontario Land Tribunal
 - 9.1.1. September 8, 2025, Closed Meeting Minutes
10. Correspondence
11. Announcements
12. Notice of Motion
13. New Business
14. Adjournment ≠



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MINUTES

DATE: September 8, 2025

CLOSED MEETING: 1:05 p.m.

MEETING: 1:00 P.M.

The September 8, 2025, Heritage Advisory Committee meeting was held on the above date and called to order at 1:10 p.m. via in person participation at the Municipal Office at 7404 Wellington Road 34 and via electronic participation.

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Attendance:

Lily Klammer-Tsuji

Russel Hurst

Cheryl McLean

Andy Day

Kristine O'Brien

Ray Smith

Absent:

Staff in Attendance:

Laura Emery, Communications and Committee Coordinator

Sarah Huether, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy Clerk

3. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA

Resolution No. 2025-029:

Moved by Kristine O'Brien and
Seconded by Cheryl Mclean

That the Heritage Advisory Committee approves the September 8, 2025 Agenda as circulated.

CARRIED



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5. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Cheryl McLean declared a potential conflict of interest related to item 8.4 HER-2025-013, 2026 Part 1 Heritage Register Designation Update related to the property known as 5-12900 - 5 Victoria St due to her holding a mortgage on the property and will refrain from discussion and voting with respect to this item.

Andy Day declared a potential conflict of interest related to item 8.5 HER-2025-014, 2026 Priority Properties – Part 2 related to the property known as 4-06500 – 4071 Sideroad 25 S Victoria St due to him being a property owner and will refrain from discussion and voting with respect to this item.

Kristine O'Brien declared a potential conflict of interest related to item 8.5 HER-2025-014, 2026 Priority Properties – Part 2 related to the property known as 5-12900 - 5 Victoria St due to her employment with Presbyterian Church of Canada and will refrain from discussion and voting with respect to this item.

6. DELEGATIONS

None

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- 7.1. May 5, 2025 Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
- 7.2. June 2, 2025 Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Resolution No. 2025-030:

Moved by Lily Klammer-Tsuji and
Seconded by Cheryl Mclean

That Consent Agenda items listed for the September 8, 2025 Heritage Advisory Committee meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

8. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

8.1 Report – HER-2025-010 – 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives Update

Resolution No. 2025-031:

Moved by Cheryl Mclean and
Seconded by Kristine O'Brien



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That Report HER-2025-010 entitled 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives Update be received for information.

CARRIED

8.2 Report – HER-2025-011 – Proposed 2026 Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule

Resolution No. 2025-032:

Moved by Kristine O'Brien and
Seconded by Andy Day

That report HER-2025-011 entitled Proposed 2026 Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule be received for information; and,

That the 2026 Heritage Advisory Committee Schedule be approved as presented.

CARRIED

8.3 Report – HER-2025-012 –2026 Heritage Advisory Committee Budget Requests

Resolution No. 2025-033:

Moved by Kristine O'Brien and
Seconded by Andy Day

That report HER-2025-012 entitled 2026 Heritage Advisory Committee Budget Requests Update be received for information; and,

That the Heritage Advisory Committee endorse the proposed additions to the Heritage Advisory Committee's budget as presented.

CARRIED

8.4 Report – HER-2025-013 –2026 Part 1 Heritage Register Designations Update

Resolution No. 2025-034:

Moved by Lily Klammer-Tsuji and
Seconded by Andy Day

That Report HER-2025-013 entitled 2026 Part 1 Heritage Register Designations Update be received; and,



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That the priority property listing and supporting materials attached to the report as Schedule A through E and Schedule G through K for designation be endorsed by the Heritage Advisory Committee; and,

That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend Council state their Intention to Designate for the Priority Properties as listed in Schedules A through E and Schedule G through K attached to this report.

CARRIED

Cheryl McLean declared a potential conflict of interest related to item 8.4 HER-2025-013, 2026 Part 1 Heritage Register Designation Update related to the property known as 5-12900 - 5 Victoria St due to her holding a mortgage on the property and refrained from discussion and voting with respect to this item.

Resolution No. 2025-035:

Moved by Kristine O'Brien and
Seconded by Andy Day

That the priority property listing and supporting materials attached to the report as Schedule F - 5 Victoria Street for designation be endorsed by the Heritage Advisory Committee; and,

That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend Council state their Intention to Designate for the Priority Property as listed in Schedule F attached to this report.

CARRIED

8.5 Report – HER-2025-014 –2026 Priority Properties – Part 2

Andy Day declared a potential conflict of interest related to item 8.5 HER-2025-014, 2026 Priority Properties – Part 2 related to the property known as 4-06500 – 4071 Sideroad 25 S Victoria St due to him being a property owner and refrained from discussion and voting with respect to this item.

Resolution No. 2025-036:

Moved by Lily Klammer-Tsuji and
Seconded by Cheryl Mclean

That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Council endorse the 22 properties identified as priority properties to be considered for designation in 2026; and,



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That sub-committee A be appointed to review and prepare the draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for the priority properties detailed in the report and report back to the Heritage Advisory Committee at a future meeting as follows:

Subcommittee A) Lily Klammer & Kristine O'Brien review properties:

- 6530 Wellington Road 34
- 7087 Concession 1
- 6926 Wellington Road 34
- 6526 Gore Road
- 6835 Concession 1
- 4071 Sideroad 25 South
- 7160 Concession 1

CARRIED

Kristine O'Brien declared a potential conflict of interest related to item 8.5 HER-2025-014, 2026 Priority Properties – Part 2 related to the property known as 5-12900 - 5 Victoria St due to her employment with Presbyterian Church of Canada and refrained from discussion and voting with respect to this item.

Resolution No. 2025-037:

Moved by Lily Klammer-Tsuji and
Seconded by Cheryl Mclean

That sub-committee B be appointed to review and prepare the draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for the priority properties detailed in the report and report back to the Heritage Advisory Committee at a future meeting as follows

Subcommittee B) Andy Day & Russel Hurst review properties:

- 4095 Sideroad 25 South
- 4240 Victoria Road South
- 4227 Wellington Road 35
- 7345 Concession 1
- 4062 Highway 6
- 4096 Highway 6
- 4148 Watson Road South

CARRIED



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Resolution No. 2025-038:

Moved by Cheryl Mclean and
Seconded by Andy Day

That sub-committee C be appointed to review and prepare the draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for the priority properties detailed in the report and report back to the Heritage Advisory Committee at a future meeting as follows

Subcommittee C) Cheryl Mclean & Ray Smith review properties:

- 4304 Victoria Road South
- 4512 Victoria Road South
- 7661 Wellington Road 36
- 4073 Watson Road South
- 381 Maltby Road East
- 95 Brock Road South
- 4402 Concession 11
- 7704 Wellington Road 36

CARRIED

8.6 Report – HER-2025-015 –Heritage Designation Objections

Resolution No. 2025-039:

Moved by Kristine O'Brien and
Seconded by Cheryl Mclean

That Report HER-2025-015 entitled Heritage Designation Objections be received; and,
That the Committee defer the recommendation for designation of 7201 Concession 1;
and,

That the Committee defer the recommendation for designation of 4 Victoria Street.

CARRIED

8.7 Committee Memo – MEMO-2025-002 –2025 Ontario Heritage Conference

Resolution No. 2025-040:

Moved by Kristine O'Brien and
Seconded by Cheryl Mclean

That Committee Memo MEMO-2025-002 entitled 2025 Ontario Heritage Conference be received for information.

CARRIED



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8.8 Committee Memo – MEMO-2025-003 –2025 Ontario Heritage Conference

Resolution No. 2025-041:

Moved by Cheryl Mclean and
Seconded by Kristine O'Brien

That Committee Memo MEMO-2025-003 entitled 2025 Ontario Heritage Conference
be received for information.

CARRIED

9. CLOSED SESSION:

The Committee was in closed session from 1:13 p.m. to 2:05 p.m.

The Committee Coordinator stopped the recording and removed all public attendees from the webinar. The webinar was then 'locked' so no new participants are able to join.

Resolution No. 2025-042:

Moved by Cheryl Mclean and
Seconded by Andy Day

That the Heritage Advisory Committee shall go into closed session under section 239 of
the Municipal Act for the purpose of:

9.1 Confidential report regarding litigation or potential litigation, including matters
before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local boards – Potential
matters heard by Ontario Land Tribunal

9.2 Confidential minutes from previous closed meetings:

9.2.1 June 2, 2025, Closed Meeting Minutes

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2025-043:

Moved by Andy Day and
Seconded by Cheryl Mclean

That the Heritage Advisory Committee moves into open session at 2:05 p.m.

CARRIED

Heritage Advisory Committee resumed open session at 2:05 p.m.

Resolution No. 2025-044:

Moved by Lily Klammer-Tsuji and
Seconded by Andy Day



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That the Heritage Advisory Committee receives the:

9.1 Confidential report regarding litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local boards – Potential matters heard by Ontario Land Tribunal.

9.2 Confidential minutes from previous closed meetings:

9.2.1 June 2, 2025, Closed Meeting Minutes; and,

That staff proceed as directed.

CARRIED

10. CORRESPONDENCE

None

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee Secretary Laura Emery notified the Committee of the Puslinch Community Showcase and 175th Anniversary Event on Saturday October 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Puslinch Community Centre. The 175th Anniversary Celebrations will be at 12:00 p.m. in front of the Killeen School Bell Cairn.

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

Resolution No. 2025-045:

Moved by Lily Klammer-Tsuji and
Seconded by Kristine O'Brien

Committee member Lily Klammer-Tsuji provided notice of motion at the May 5, 2025 Heritage Advisory Committee meeting to be considered by the Heritage Advisory Committee at the September 8, 2025 meeting regarding the Committee endorsing the below resolution on procuring reasonable insurance rates for designated properties as follows:

That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend that Council pass the following support resolution regarding reasonable insurance rates for designated properties as follows:

Whereas the Township of Puslinch Heritage Advisory Committee has identified growing challenges faced by property owners of buildings designated under the *Ontario Heritage Act* in securing fair and accessible insurance coverage;



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And Whereas the Council of the Township of Puslinch shares and endorsed the concerns raised by the Heritage Advisory Committee;

And Whereas over the past several years, owners of designated heritage properties - or those in the process of designation - have reported significant difficulties in obtaining insurance, including increased premiums, limited availability, or outright denial of coverage;

And Whereas these insurance challenges create substantial financial strain for property owners and may discourage participation in heritage designation and preservation efforts;

And Whereas heritage designation plays a vital role in preserving the Township's cultural and historical identity, and ensuring fair access to insurance coverage is an important component of supporting heritage stewardship;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Puslinch call upon the Government of Ontario and all relevant authorities to take immediate action to address the insurance challenges faced by designated property owners; and

That Council of the Township of Puslinch request the development of viable solutions or support mechanisms to ensure that designated property owners have access to fair, affordable, and sustainable insurance options; and further,

That a copy of this resolution be sent to:

- The Premier of Ontario
- The Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism
- The Minister of Finance
- The Leader of the Official Opposition
- MPP Joseph Racinsky
- MPP Matthew Rae
- Ontario Heritage Trust
- The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
- The Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)

CARRIED

13. NEW BUSINESS

None



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14. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2025-046:

Moved by Andy Day
Seconded by Cheryl Mclean

That the Heritage Advisory Committee hereby adjourns at 2:56 p.m.

CARRIED



Laura Emery
Committee Secretary
VIA EMAIL:
lemery@puslinch.ca

Township of Puslinch
7404 Wellington Road 34
Puslinch, ON N0B 2J0
www.puslinch.ca

October 17, 2025

RE: 9.4.7 Report COR-2025-047 – Heritage 2026 Part II Designation

Resolution No. 2025-321:

Moved by Councillor Hurst and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Report COR-2025-047 entitled Heritage Advisory Committee Goals and Objectives Update – 2026 Part II Designation be received for information; and,

That Council endorse the following properties as priority properties for designation in 2026 in accordance with the Heritage Advisory Committee's recommendation:

1. 6530 Wellington Road 34
2. 7087 Concession 1
3. 6926 Wellington Road 34
4. 6526 Gore Road
5. 6835 Concession 1
6. 4071 Sideroad 25 South
7. 7160 Concession 1
8. 4095 Sideroad 25 South
9. 4240 Victoria Road South
10. 4227 Wellington Road 35
11. 7345 Concession 1
12. 4062 Highway 6
13. 4096 Highway 6
14. 4148 Watson Road South
15. 4304 Victoria Road South
16. 4512 Victoria Road South



- 17. 7661 Wellington Road 36
- 18. 4073 Watson Road South
- 19. 381 Maltby Road East
- 20. 95 Brock Road South
- 21. 4402 Concession 11
- 22. 7704 Wellington Road 36; and,

That Council approve the 2026 Part II Designation Goal and Objective and proposed action plan as presented.

CARRIED

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Director of Corporate Services/Municipal Clerk



REPORT HER-2025-016

TO: Heritage Advisory Committee Chair and Members of Committee

PREPARED BY: Laura Emery, Communications & Committee Coordinator

PRESENTED BY: Laura Emery, Communications & Committee Coordinator

MEETING DATE: November 3, 2025

SUBJECT: Heritage Designation Objection and Deferrals

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Report HER-2025-016 entitled Heritage Designation Objection and Deferrals be received; and,

That the Committee [affirm/withdraw] the recommendation for designation of 4453 Sideroad 20 North; and,

That the Committee [affirm/withdraw] the recommendation for designation of 7243 Concession 1; and,

That the Committee [affirm/withdraw] the recommendation for designation of 7201 Concession 1; and

That the Committee [affirm/withdraw] the recommendation for designation of 4 Victoria Street; and,

That the Committee [affirm/withdraw] the recommendation for designation of 6926 Wellington Rd 34.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek a recommendation from the Committee for how to proceed with the designation recommendations for the aforementioned properties.

Background

Staff received written objections regarding the designation of the following properties:

- 4453 Sideroad 20 North – received April 28, 2025
 - o Committee deferred decision on May 5, 2025
- 7243 Concession 1 – received February 12, 2025
 - o Committee deferred decision on May 5, 2025
- 7201 Concession 1 – received June 2, 2025
 - o Committee deferred decision on September 8, 2025
- 4 Victoria Street – received June 6, 2025
 - o Committee deferred decision on September 8, 2025
- 6926 Wellington Rd 34 – received on October 22, 2025

All of the above property owners maintain their decision to be withdrawn from the designation process. Property owners are aware that properties would stay on the Heritage Register until January 1, 2027.

Staff are recommending that the Committee make a final recommendation on whether to affirm or withdraw the designation of the properties. The objections and supplemental information on the properties are attached as Schedule A through E of this report.

Should the Committee affirm designation, the property will proceed through the designation process under the *Ontario Heritage Act*. Property owners will have the opportunity to object to Council before any designation is finalized. Should the Committee withdraw designation, the property will be withdrawn from consideration for designation and remain listed on the Heritage Register until January 1, 2027, to ensure the property has interim protection from demolition. At that time the property will be delisted and cannot be relisted on the Register for a period of five years, unless they are designated.

Financial Implications

None

Applicable Legislation and Requirements

Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18

Attachments

Schedule A – 4453 Sideroad 20 North Written Objection and supplemental information

Schedule B – 7243 Concession 1 Written Objection and supplemental information

Schedule C – 7201 Concession 1 Written Objection and supplemental information

Schedule D – 4 Victoria Street Written Objection and supplemental information

Schedule E – 6926 Wellington Road 34 Written Objection and supplemental information

From: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: 4453 Sideroad 20 N Heritage Designation

Date: Monday, April 28, 2025 11:25:24 AM

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Hi, Laura:

The primary reasons for not wishing to have my house designated heritage is due to the restrictions involved, such as:

- not changing windows or doors,
- having to maintain wood soffits, fascia, and related trim,
- having to request permission to make structural changes inside (e.g., removing/moving interior walls), and
- the additional pressures and restrictions on making exterior changes (e.g., to an addition or a proposed change to the addition).

As a homeowner, we should have the same rights as other property owners without the additional hurdles and obstacles.

Please forward to the appropriate parties involved. Thank you,

[REDACTED]

On Apr 16, 2025, at 14:34, Laura Emery <lemery@puslinch.ca> wrote:

Good afternoon [REDACTED]

Staff have received and reviewed your Designation Interest and Property Visit Form. I am following up with you on the potential designation of your property, 4453 Sideroad 20 North. Should you wish to not proceed with the designation process, please submit a formal letter addressed to the Municipal Clerk, Justine Brotherston stating the reasons for not wanting the property designated.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

<image003.png>Laura Emery

Communications and Committee Coordinator

Township of Puslinch

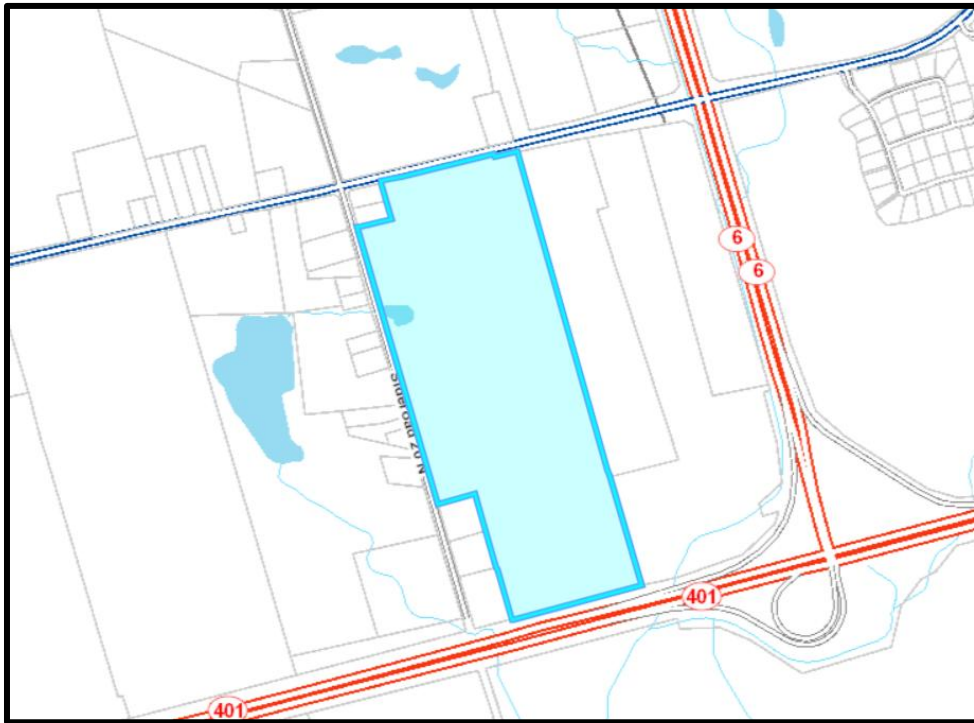
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P: 519-763-1226 ext. 231 Fax: 519-763-5846 www.puslinch.ca

My hours may not match your working hours. If you received this email outside of regular business hours, I do not expect an immediate response.

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Schedule B – 4453 Sideroad 20 N Supplemental Information



(Key Map Showing Location of 4453 Sideroad 20 N, Puslinch)

Image Date: unknown



[REDACTED]
7243 Concession 1
Puslinch, ON, N0B 2J0
February 12, 2025

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk, Township of Puslinch

Dear Ms. Brotherston,

Re: Removal of 7243 Concession 1 from the list of homes scheduled for Heritage Designation

At the instruction of Laura Emery, we are writing to formally express our concerns to the proposed heritage designation of our property at 7243 Concession 1. While we recognize and value the importance of preserving our township's historical heritage, we have several concerns about the implications of such a designation on our property.

Firstly, it is notable that the township's documentation omits acknowledgment of my family's stewardship of the property for over 25 years. Since purchasing from the Griesbach family, we have invested significantly in the maintenance and preservation of this property, which includes not only the residence but also the surrounding 89 acres. Our efforts have ensured that the property remains a vibrant part of the community's fabric, contributing to its historical narrative just as the Durand, Cowan, McDonnell, and Griesbach families did.

As we head toward retirement, we are contemplating the selling this property. The current economic conditions forecast for 2025 suggest a decline, influencing both local and national markets. Should the heritage designation proceed, it would severely restrict the potential market for future sales. Heritage properties often require buyers to undertake high-cost renovations with specific materials and skilled labor, which are not only more expensive but also harder to source. This could deter potential buyers, significantly diminishing the property's marketability and, by extension, its value. Our savings and financial security are deeply entwined with this property, making the potential for decreased value a significant concern. Additionally, the restrictions imposed by a heritage designation would severely limit any modifications that a new owner might consider necessary to adapt the home to their needs. This not only impacts the functionality and enjoyment of the property but also further narrows the pool of potential buyers to a very niche market.

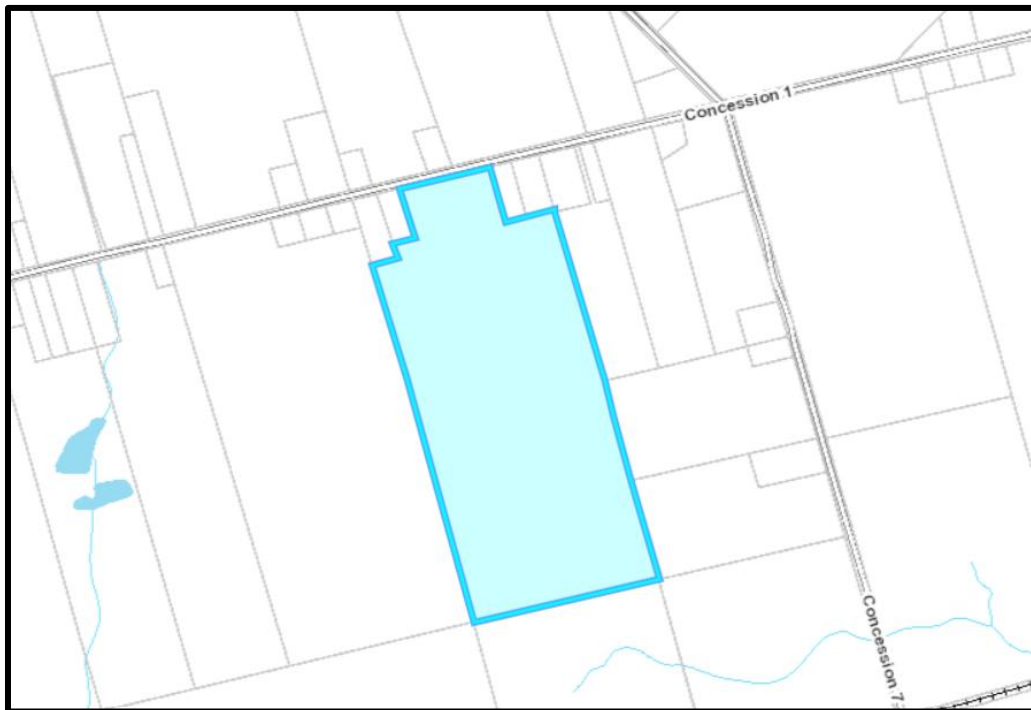
Given these points, we respectfully request that 7243 Concession 1 not be included in the list of properties designated as heritage sites. Our family has been committed custodians of this property, ensuring its upkeep and maintaining its historical integrity without the constraints of a formal designation. We believe that continuing to allow us the flexibility to manage and eventually transition this property without this designation is in the best interest of all parties involved.

Thank you for considering our perspective in this matter. We trust that the Council will take into account the significant implications of such a designation on our family's financial and personal well-being.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Schedule E –7243 Concession 1 Supplemental Information



(Key Map Showing Location of 7243 Concession 1, Puslinch)

Image Date: unknown



[REDACTED]
7201 Concession # 1 Puslinch,
ON N0B2J0
[REDACTED]

RECEIVED

JUN 02 2025

Township of Puslinch

June 1, 2025

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk, Township of Puslinch
7404 Wellington Road 34
Puslinch, ON
N0B 2J0

Re: Removal of 7201 Concession 1 from list of homes scheduled for heritage designation

Dear Ms. Brotherston,

We are writing regarding the potential designation of our home under the Ontario Heritage Act. While we deeply appreciate the Township's interest in preserving local history, we respectfully ask that our home (7201 Concession 1) not be designated.

We have lived in our home for over twenty years, and throughout that time have taken great care to preserve its unique character. We have restored original exterior wood features such as gingerbread trim, fascia, and portico posts, repainted the exterior to preserve historic detailing, and repaired damaged areas of the stonework using traditional methods with the help of a skilled craftsman.

Inside, we have completed additional restorative work, including replastering bedrooms, reopening rooms whose doorways were drywalled over, and removing knob-and-tube wiring to bring the home up to modern safety standards. We also replaced oil heating with geothermal heat pumps, improving both fire safety and environmental impact. These investments were made not due to formal requirements, but out of respect for the home's character and a strong personal commitment to its care.

We intend to remain in the home for the next 10 to 15 years and continue to maintain it with the same level of diligence. However, we have significant concerns about the implications of formal designation.

Our home represents a major part of our financial savings. We are concerned that designation could have a negative impact on resale value and deter future buyers who may be reluctant to take on a property with perceived constraints or uncertain obligations — especially in the

absence of meaningful incentives. Those willing to purchase and manage an historical property already represent a niche market; designation threatens to further limit the pool of potential buyers.

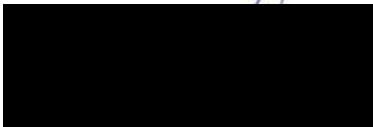
We are also troubled by the lack of clarity surrounding what designation entails now, and how the requirements might evolve over time. Already, it can be challenging and costly to source tradespeople with the expertise to work on features such as plaster, woodwork, and masonry. The prospect of added approval processes introduces uncertainty and may delay or prevent necessary upkeep. It is also not clear what qualifications or background members of the heritage committee may hold, or how decisions will be made if subjective judgments are involved.

While we continue to support the preservation of local heritage, we believe that voluntary, responsible stewardship — as we have demonstrated over the past two decades — is a more effective and respectful path forward. We hope the Township will recognize our longstanding commitment and allow us to continue preserving the home without the constraints of formal designation.

We want to emphasize that this is a matter of considerable importance to us.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our perspective, and for the work you are doing to balance heritage preservation with the real-life responsibilities faced by homeowners.

Sincerely,

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Schedule A – 7201 Concession 1 Supplemental Information



(Key Map Showing Location of 7201 Concession 1, Puslinch)

Image date: 2022



Image date: May 2025



From: [REDACTED]
Cc: [Sarah Huether](#); [Justine Brotherston](#)
Subject: Re: Heritage Designation
Date: Friday, June 6, 2025 12:28:44 AM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

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To whom it may concern,

I have been told that this letter is required to object to my home being designated as heritage.

Our house wasn't heritage when we bought it, and we would like it to remain that way.

My wife and I purchased this as our first house, and we specifically sought out a century home. We love the character, style and uniqueness that this home has to offer. We loved finding out the history of our house, and the families who inhabited it before us. We have preserved the character in any work we have done to the house. This comes at a considerable extra expense as opposed to using current "off the shelf" materials. We have done so because we wish to preserve what the house is.

A heritage designation attempts to protect the home from the home owner. We see no need to do so with our home. We have no interest in granting veto authority to the township over a property they do not own. The township doesn't share in any of the responsibilities or consequences of the decisions that they would be making on the home.

For the above reasons, we the owners oppose the heritage designation.

[REDACTED]

From: Laura Emery <lemery@puslinch.ca>

Sent: April 10, 2025 3:31 PM

[REDACTED]

Cc: Sarah Huether <shuether@puslinch.ca>; Justine Brotherston <jbrotherston@puslinch.ca>

Subject: FW: Heritage Designation

[REDACTED]

Thanks for sending this notice to Township staff. I am following up with you on the potential designation of your property, 4 Victoria St. Should you wish to not proceed with the designation process, please submit a formal letter addressed to the Municipal Clerk, Justine Brotherston stating the reasons for not wanting the property designated.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks,



Laura Emery
Communications and Committee Coordinator
Township of Puslinch
7404 Wellington Rd. 34, Puslinch, ON N0B 2J0
P: 519-763-1226 ext. 231 Fax: 519-763-5846 www.puslinch.ca
My hours may not match your working hours. If you received this email outside of regular business hours, I do not expect an immediate response.

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Sent: Wednesday, April 9, 2025 9:37 PM

To: Admin <admin@puslinch.ca>

Subject: Heritage Designation

Please find attached my denial of interest in heritage designation.


4 Victoria St, Morriston

Schedule B – 4 Victoria Street Supplemental Information



(Key Map Showing Location of 4 Victoria Street, Puslinch)

Image date: Unknown – uploaded January, 2007



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[REDACTED]
6926 Wellington Rd 34 RR 22
Cambridge Ontario, N3C 2V4
[REDACTED]

October 22, 2024.

Municipal Clerk

Justine Brotherston
Ontario, Canada

Subject: Objection to Heritage Designation of 6926 Wellington Rd 34 RR 22 Cambridge Ont. N3C 2V4

Dear Justine Brotherston,

We are writing in response to the recent notice regarding the proposed heritage designation of my property located at 6926 Wellington Rd 34 RR 22 Cambridge Ont. N3C 2V4. After careful consideration, we wish to formally express our opposition to this designation.

While we recognize and respect the importance of preserving our community's historical and architectural character, we have several concerns regarding the potential impact of this designation on my property and its future use. In particular, heritage designation can impose significant restrictions on modifications, repairs, and overall maintenance—often resulting in increased costs and delays. As a private homeowner, we believe these constraints would place an undue burden on us, both financially and practically.

The property does not retain visible or defining historical features. The original windows and doors have been replaced, and other significant alterations have occurred over time that have diminished historical integrity the building may once have had. For example, the foundation is not visible, and the logs have been covered both inside and out for the last 70 years or more.

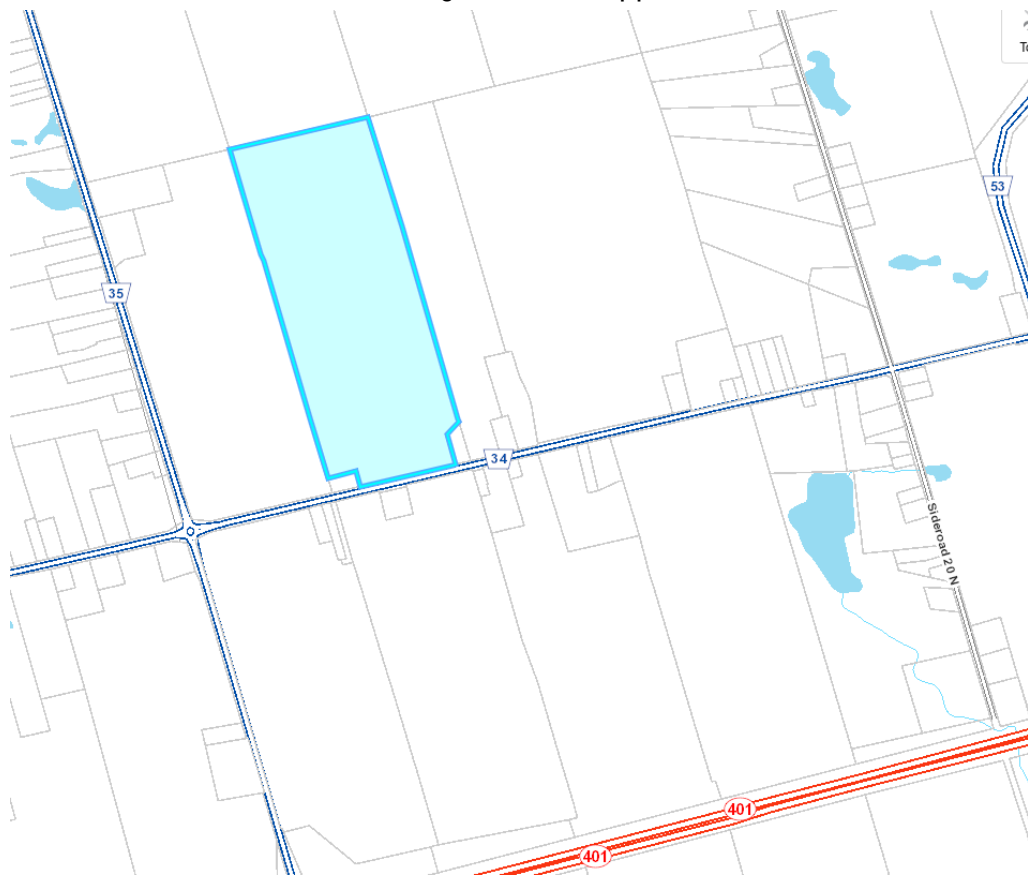
For these reasons, we respectfully request that my property not be included in the proposed heritage registry or designated under any applicable heritage legislation.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are available to discuss this further at your convenience if needed.

Sincerely,

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Schedule A – 6926 Wellington Rd 34 Supplemental Information



(Key Map Showing Location of 6926 Wellington Rd 34, Puslinch)

Image date: Unknown





REPORT HER-2025-017

TO: Heritage Advisory Committee Chair and Members of Committee

PREPARED BY: Laura Emery, Communications and Committee Coordinator

PRESENTED BY: Laura Emery, Communications and Committee Coordinator

MEETING DATE: November 3, 2025

SUBJECT: 2022 – 2026 Goals and Objectives Update

RECOMMENDATION

That report HER-2025-017 entitled 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives Update be received for information.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide the Heritage Advisory Committee with an update on the Committee's 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives.

Background

In accordance with the Committee's Terms of Reference, the Committee may have a maximum of two active goals or objectives at any given time. Goals and objectives referred by Council will be prioritized. There are two ways goals and objectives can be added to the Committee's workplan:

- A committee member or sub-committee preparing a detailed proposal which is endorsed by the Committee and subsequently approved by Council
- Council referring a goal/objective to the Committee

Comments

The Heritage Advisory Committee workplan is attached as Schedule A to this report. This workplan includes active, inactive, draft proposals and completed projects.

Active Goals/Objectives

1. Killeen Bell - School Section Monument Unveiling

This goal and objective was added to the Committee's workplan after Council's approval at the March 26th Council meeting and is now active on the 2025 workplan.

The sub-committee hosted a booth at the Puslinch Community Showcase to share the historical information on the 12 school sections of Puslinch.

The last piece of this goal and objective is to coordinate with the Puslinch Historical Society and work with a vendor to create a permanent framed display to be hung in the foyer of the Puslinch Community Centre. The Committee has a \$300 budget for this initiative.

2. Heritage Register and Bill 23 (2026 Priority Properties – Part 2):

Designation Process Milestone	Date
Committee selects 2026 Priority Properties – Part 2	September 8, 2025
Council approval of 22 properties as 2026 Priority Properties – Part 2	October 8, 2025
Notice of Priority Property including: - Identifying their property as a priority property for designation in 2026 - Request for site visit - Notice of available drop-in appointments with staff - Notice of Designation Open House	October 8, 2025
Drop-in Hours for property owners to meet with staff – Current step	- Tuesday October 28th 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. - Tuesday November 4th 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. - Tuesday November 18th 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Site Visits – Current step	- Week of October 27th - Week of November 3rd - Week November 24th
Committee approval of Statements of Cultural Heritage Value and/or Interest	March 2, 2026
Peer Review of Statements of Cultural Heritage Value and/or Interest	March to May 2026
Council States Intention to Designate	June 17, 2026

Notice of Intention to Designate	June 17, 2026
Objection Deadline (30 days from Notice of Intention to Designate)	July 17, 2026
Council consideration of Designation By-laws where no objection is received (First Council meeting following 30-day objection period)	August 26, 2026
Final day to pass Designation By-law (120 days from Notice of Intention to Designate)	October 15, 2026

Draft Goal/Objective Proposals

Heritage Advisory Sub-Committees are working on Committee Memos and Goal/Objective Proposals for the following draft goals/objectives:

1. Heritage Conservation District

Once a Committee Memo and Goal/Objective Proposal has been drafted they are to be provided to staff for review and staff will assist with review of the memo/proposal and drafting of a recommendation. Once the Committee has endorsed the goal/objective staff will prepare a report for Council's consideration for approval. Staff are not able to provide further assistance until such a time that goal/objective is approved by Council and an active goal/objective.

General Heritage Designation Update

2026 Priority Properties – Part 1:

Committee approval of Statements of Cultural Heritage Value and/or Interest	September 8, 2025
Peer Review of Statements of Cultural Heritage Value and/or Interest – Current step	September to December 2025 – Current step
Council States Intention to Designate	January 21, 2026
Notice of Intention to Designate	January 21, 2026
Objection Deadline (30 days from Notice of Intention to Designate)	February 20, 2026
Council consideration of Designation By-laws where no objection is received	March 4, 2026

(First Council meeting following 30-day objection period)	
Final day to pass Designation By-law (120 days from Notice of Intention to Designate)	May 21, 2026

Financial Implications

None

Applicable Legislation and Requirements

None

Attachments

Schedule A – Heritage Advisory Committee Goals and Objectives Workplan

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