

# THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE 4422 Wellington Road 32, Puslinch

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch intends to designate at 4422 Wellington Road 32, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under section 29, Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18. as authorized by Township of Puslinch Council through Resolution No. 2025-124.

### **Description of the Property**

The subject property is described as being Pt Lot 5, Concession 2 Township of Puslinch, Part 2, 61R4571; Township of Puslinch, municipally known as at 4422 Wellington Rd 32, Puslinch.



(Key Map Showing Location of 4422 Wellington Rd 32, Puslinch)

# **Short Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest**

The property located at 4422 Wellington Road 32, Puslinch meets the requirements for designation in each of the three categories of design/physical value, historical/associative value, and contextual value, according to Reg. 9/06 of the Ontario Heritage Act.

The property located at 4422 Wellington Road 32 retains cultural heritage value in its Gothic "Ontario House" architectural design, and in its historical association with Irish immigration to the Puslinch lake area of the Township, specifically that of the Barrett

family. It is also associated with Roman Catholic missions at Puslinch Lake. It is contextually associated with neighbouring Barrett heritage properties and with Puslinch Lake.

# Design Value:

The property is a representative example of a c. 1870 one-and-a-half-storey Gothic "Ontario House" T-style residence in fieldstone covered with plaster. This Gothic "Ontario House" style predominated residential vernacular architecture in Puslinch Township from the late 1850s to the 1880s. Features present in the structure at 4422 Wellington Road 32 that are characteristic of this style include a three bay facade with a central entrance door and single vertical windows centred in the other two bays. The roof is end gabled with a centred peaked gable over a Gothic window that lights the second half-storey. An interior stone masonry chimney is at each gable end. Side facades show two windows placed symmetrically on each floor. The rear of the house has a one and one-half story kitchen tail extension creating a cross-gabled roofline. In later years a sunroom addition was constructed at the former front entranceway and the house entrance was reoriented to the kitchen tail.

#### Historical/ Associative Value:

The lot was originally owned by John Barrett, who had purchased Lots 2 and 5, Concession 2, when he immigrated from Ireland in the 1830s. He deeded Lot 5 to his son-in-law Charles Barrett who built the residence c. 1870. The Barrett family was one of a few Irish Roman Catholic families in the area adjacent to Puslinch Lake and were active in the Roman Catholic mission that was set up on Big Island in Puslinch Lake. The Barrett family housed the Catholic Priest who attended the mission.

### Contextual Value

The property is contextually associated with the former property of John Barrett on Lot 2, Front Concession 2; 6527 Ellis Road, and with Big Island, Puslinch Lake.

### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 4422 Wellington Rd 32:

### **Charles Barrett House**

- All original extant door and window fenestration
- Fieldstone walls
- Height, scale, and massing of original one and one half storey "Ontario House" structure

It is intended that non-original features may be returned to document earlier designs or to their document original without requiring Council to amend the designating by-law.

## **Notice of Objection**

Any person may send a notice of objection to this proposed designation, before 4:00 p.m. on May 16, 2025. This notice must be sent by registered mail or delivered to the Clerk of the Township of Puslinch, and must set out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. If a notice of objection is received, the Council of the Township of Puslinch shall consider the objection and make a decision whether or not to withdraw the notice of intention to designate the property within 90 days after the end of the 30-day objection period. If Council decides not to withdraw its intention to designate, a heritage designation bylaw must be passed within 120 days after the date of publication of the notice of intention to designate. Council must publish a notice of passing of the designation bylaw which is followed by a 30-day appeal period when appeals of the bylaw may be given to the Ontario Land Tribunal for a hearing and decision.

Dated April 16, 2025

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

CC: Property Owner
Ontario Heritage Trust