

THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE 7735 Leslie Road W, Puslinch

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch intends to designate at 7735 Leslie Road W, 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 Part Lot 36 Concession 10 Puslinch – Pt 1 61R10644; Puslinch, municipally known as at 7735 Leslie Road W, Puslinch.



(Key Map Showing Location of 7735 Leslie Rd W, Puslinch)

Short Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The property, located at 7735 Leslie Road West, Puslinch, meets the requirements for designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the three categories of design/physical value, historical/associative value, and contextual value.

The property includes a polychrome brick Ontario House style residence built c. 1883, with a 1919 addition built to mirror the original structure. The property is historically associated with lumber milling in Puslinch Township, and with Highland Scots immigration to Badenoch, Puslinch Township. Contextually, the property is associated

with numerous extant early homesteads of these Scottish immigrants from Badenoch, Scotland, to Badenoch, Puslinch Township.

Design Value:

The property is a representative example of a one-and-a-half-storey "Ontario House" style residence in running bond red brick with buff brick decorative trim. The house has a three-bay front façade featuring a central door with symmetrical vertical single windows in each side bay. Typical of the Ontario House style is the end gabled roof with a prominent peaked front gable above a gothic lancet window. The north facing facade has a bay window on the first storey and two symmetrical vertical windows on the upper storey. With the exception of the bay window all fenestrations have surrounds in buff brick: soldiered buff lintels with toothed edging along the vertical sides. Buff toothed edging is featured on the exposed corners of the original residence; full additions on the south and on the east facades of the residence have removed these original exterior walls. The addition on the east facade was constructed in 1919 by the Beaton family, with design, mass, brickwork and architectural detailing mirroring the original structure.

Historical/ Associative Value:

Lot 36 Front Concession 10 was part of a parcel of lots purchased in 1833 by John Linderman who operated a series of sawmills along the creeks that flowed through Lots 32-36. The milling business and properties were bought by Robert Forbes in 1859 and subsequently purchased by John McFarlane about 1877. In 1883, Malcolm Kennedy bought Lot 36 and built the red brick residence during the same year. Kennedy's parents were early immigrants from Badenoch Scotland, who with Clark, McLean, McEdwards and other families settled neighbouring lots in southeastern Puslinch Township in the 1830s, which they named Badenoch. Malcolm Kennedy's mother was a McEdwards and several members of the Kennedy and McEdwards families intermarried. The Kennedy farm was purchased by the Beaton family (Thomas Beaton-Mary McEdwards) in 1900 who added the extension facing east onto the back of the original house in 1919. Their daughters were founders of the Badenoch Women's Institute and accomplished musicians. Diaries, artifacts, and photographs of the family and property during this period are in the Wellington County Archives.

The northeastern section of the original lot was sold to the Halton Region Conservation Authority c. 1964 to be used as part of the reservoir for the Mountsberg Dam.

Contextual Value:

The property has a visual connection to its surroundings, embodying the historical and architectural legacy of the Scottish settlement in the Badenoch area that includes, among others, listed heritage properties built by the McLean, McEdwards and Clark families on nearby lots.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 7735 Leslie Road W:

Malcolm Kennedy House 1883 house and Beaton 1919

- exterior brickwork including decorative detailing
- original fenestration
- Height, scale, and massing of original one and a half storey structure

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