



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH
MARCH 2, 2026 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: March 2, 2026

MEETING: 1:00 P.M.

≠ 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. January 12, 2026 Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
 - 7.2. Township of Puslinch Council Resolution 2025-421 Procedural By-law Amendment



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Recommendation:

That the Consent Agenda item listed for the March 2, 2026 Heritage Advisory Committee meeting be received for information.

8. Reports ≠

8.1. Report – HER-2026-003 2026 Part 2 Heritage Register Update

Recommendation:

That report HER-2026-003 entitled 2026 Part 2 Heritage Register Designations Update be received for information; and,

That the priority property listing and supporting materials attached to this report as Schedule A through Schedule G 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 G attached to this report.

8.2. Report – HER-2026-004 – 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives Update ≠

Recommendation:

That report HER-2026-004 entitled 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives Update be received for information.

8.3. Report – HER-2026-005 – 7108 Concession 2 ≠

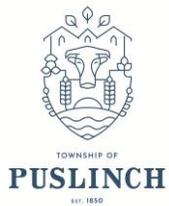
Recommendation:

That Report HER-2026-005 entitled 7108 Concession 2 be received; and,

That _____ & _____ be appointed to a sub-committee to review the heritage value of 7108 Concession 2 ; and,

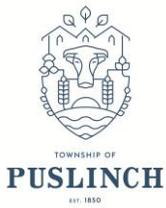
That a Committee Memo from the sub-committee be presented at a future Heritage Advisory Committee meeting for the Committee's consideration.

9. Correspondence



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10. Announcements
11. Notice of Motion
12. New Business
13. Adjournment ≠



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MINUTES

DATE: January 12, 2026

CLOSED MEETING: 1:05 P.M.

MEETING: 1:00 P.M.

The January 12, 2026, Heritage Advisory Committee meeting was held on the above date and called to order at 1:02 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:

Russel Hurst - Chair

Lily Klammer-Tsuji

Cheryl Mclean

Andy Day

Kristine O'Brien

Ray Smith

Absent:

Staff in Attendance:

Laura Emery, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy Clerk

3. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA

Resolution No. 2026-001:

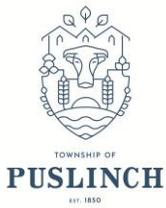
Moved by Lily Klammer-Tsuji and
Seconded by Andy Day

That the Heritage Advisory Committee approves the January 12, 2026 Agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

5. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

None



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6. DELEGATIONS

None

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- 7.1. December 1, 2025 Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
- 7.2. Township of Puslinch Council Resolution 2025-380 Insurance Challenges for Buildings Designated under the Ontario Heritage Act

Resolution No. 2026-002: Moved by Kristine O'Brien and
Seconded by Cheryl Mclean

That the Consent Agenda item listed for the January 12, 2026 Heritage Advisory Committee meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

8. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

- 8.1 Report – HER-2026-001 – 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives Update

Resolution No. 2025-003: Moved by Kristine O'Brien and
Seconded by Andy Day

That Report HER-2026-001 entitled 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives Update be received for information.

CARRIED

- 8.2 Report – HER-2026-001 - Heritage Designation Objection

Resolution No. 2026-004: Moved by Lily Klammer-Tsuji and
Seconded by Andy Day

That Report HER-2026-002 entitled Heritage Designation Objection be received; and,
That the Committee defer the recommendation for designation of 4402 Concession 11.

CARRIED



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9. CLOSED SESSION:

The Committee was in closed session from 1:06 p.m. to 1:54 p.m.

The Deputy Clerk 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. 2026-005:

Moved by Kristine O'Brien 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 December 1, 2025, Closed Meeting Minutes

CARRIED

Resolution No. 2026-006:

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

That the Heritage Advisory Committee moves into open session at 1:54 p.m.

CARRIED

Heritage Advisory Committee resumed open session at 1:54 p.m.

Resolution No. 2026-007:

Moved by Ray Smith and
Seconded by Cheryl McLean

That the Heritage Advisory Committee receives the:

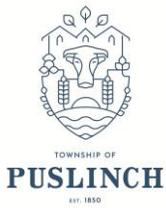
9.1 Confidential report regarding litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local boards – Potential matters heard by Ontario Land Tribunal.

9.2 Confidential minutes from previous closed meetings:

9.2.1 December 1, 2025, Closed Meeting Minutes; and,

That staff proceed as directed.

CARRIED



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10. CORRESPONDENCE

None

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee member Cheryl McLean informed the Committee that the Puslinch Historical Society met on Saturday January 10. They are currently focusing their work on ancestry and reviewing an inventory of historical books.

Committee chair Councillor Hurst reminded the Committee of the Ontario Heritage Conference June 18th to 20th, 2026 in Hamilton, ON. Committee members were reminded to look at their schedules and to inform the Committee Secretary if they have interest in going prior to the March Committee meeting.

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

None

13. NEW BUSINESS

None

14. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2026-008:

Moved by Krstine O'Brien
Seconded by Andy Day

That the Heritage Advisory Committee hereby adjourns at 2:13 p.m.

CARRIED



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Committee Secretary,
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Advisory Committee
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mfarncombe@puslinch.ca

RE: 9.4.3 Report COR-2025-421 Procedural By-law Amendment

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on December 17, 2025 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2025-421: Moved by Councillor Hurst and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That Council receives report COR-2025-067 regarding the proposed Procedural By-law Amendment; and,

That Council gives three readings to By-law 2025-089 being a By-law to amend the Township's Procedural By-law 2022-046, as amended.

CARRIED

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

Sincerely,
Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk



REPORT HER-2026-003

TO: Heritage Advisory Committee

PREPARED BY: Laura Emery, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy Clerk

PRESENTED BY: Laura Emery, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy Clerk

MEETING DATE: March 2, 2026

SUBJECT: 2026 Part 2 Heritage Register Designations Update

RECOMMENDATIONS

That report HER-2026-003 entitled 2026 Part 2 Heritage Register Designations Update be received for information; and,

That the priority property listing and supporting materials attached to this report as Schedule A through Schedule G 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 G attached to this report.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide the 2026 Part 2 priority property listing and supporting materials attached to this report as Schedule A through to Schedule G identified for designation to be endorsed by the Heritage Advisory Committee.

Background

At the October 8, 2025 Council meeting, Council endorsed the 2026 Part 2 priority properties for consideration for designation in 2026, and approved the action plan which has been implemented to date as outlined below (items in green have been completed):

Designation Action Plan	Date	Update
Notification to property owners including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Identifying their property as a priority	October 8, 2025	Completed

property for designation in 2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for site visit • Notice of available drop-in appointments with staff • Notice of Designation Open House 		
Site Visits with staff to take pictures of the exterior attributes and to review Statements of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Week of October 27th - Week of November 3rd - Week of November 24th 	Staff performed 3 site visits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 7160 Concession 1 - 4095 Sideroad 25 South - 381 Maltby Rd
Drop-in appointments with staff to ask questions and review Statements of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest	Drop-in Appointment times: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tuesday November 4th 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. - Tuesday October 28th 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. - Tuesday November 18th 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. 	Staff had 1 property owner come to the Municipal Office during drop-in hours: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 7160 Concession 1
Reminder Notice of Designation Open House	Thursday November 20, 2025	
Heritage Designation Open House	Tuesday December 2, 2025	Completed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 property owner attended
Committee approval of Statements of Heritage Cultural Value or Interest	March 2, 2026	Current Stage
Peer Review of Statements of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest	March 2026 to May 2026	Staff to send peer reviewer Statements of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest as well as any research associated with the properties.
Council state their intention to designate and designation process	Summer 2026	

Comments

With the completion of the Draft Statements of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and Draft Designation By-laws for the priority properties, staff are seeking the Heritage Advisory

Committee's recommendation of designation and endorsement of the Statements of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest of the properties listed in Schedules A through G.

Staff are recommending that 15 properties not be endorsed by the Committee at this time. These properties lack sufficient information on the design, historical and contextual value to meet the criteria for designation under the Ontario Heritage Act. Properties must meet at least two of the nine prescribed criteria in the legislation. Additionally, photographs of the heritage attributes are required for the Township's peer reviewer to accurately review the statements.

Staff will continue to routinely engage with the property owners and should a property owner be interested in designation, staff will bring a report with updated photos and any additional information provided by the property owner for the Committee's consideration. It is recommended that Committee members continue researching these properties to gather additional information regarding their design, historical, and contextual value.

Following the Committee's endorsement of the draft Statements of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for the priority properties the statements will be provided to the Township's peer reviewer and then a report will be brought to a future Council meeting for Council's consideration to state their intention to designate the properties listed in Schedules A through M, under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Designation under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act

Under Section 29 (1) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the Council of a municipality may, by by-law, designate a property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest if,

- (a) where criteria for determining whether property is of cultural heritage value or interest have been prescribed, the property meets the prescribed criteria; and
- (b) the designation is made in accordance with the process set out in this section.

The *Ontario Heritage Act* applies to real property (land and buildings) and helps to recognize and protect the heritage features on that property. Designation of heritage properties provides a process for ensuring that their cultural heritage value is conserved over time.

If the owner of a designated property wishes to make alterations to the property that affect the property's Heritage Attributes as described in the property's designation by-law, they must apply and get approval of a Heritage Permit and any other applicable Township permits (Ex. Building Permits).

If Council intends to designate the property to be of cultural heritage value or interest, a Notice of Intention to Designate will be issued by the Municipal Clerk.

If a notice of intention to designate a property is given under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the property is given interim control of alterations or demolition.

The Township must provide the Notice of Intention to Designate to the property owner and to the Ontario Heritage Trust. A copy of the Notice must be placed on the Township's website in accordance with the *Ontario Heritage Act* Alternative Notice Policy adopted by Council on September 27, 2023. There is a thirty (30) day objection period, in which anyone may object to the designation to Council. At the end of the 30 day objection period, and after considering the objection, Council can either withdraw the Notice of Intention to Designate, or proceed with passing a by-law designating the subject property. The by-law must be passed within 120 days after the date of publication of the Notice of Intention to Designate.

If Council passes a by-law designating the subject property, a copy of the by-law must be provided to the property owner, anyone who objected to the Notice of Intention to Designate, and to the Ontario Heritage Trust. A notice of the by-law must also be circulated in the newspaper. There is a thirty (30) day appeal period in which anyone may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal. If there is no appeal, the by-law comes into force on the day following the last day of the appeal period. The Clerk will ensure a copy of the By-law is registered against the property by the Land Registry Office and sent to the Ontario Heritage Trust.

Financial Implications

There are fees associated with the review of the Statements of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest. Approval relating to the peer review of the statements is included in the 2026 Budget.

There are legal fees associated with the registration of the Heritage Designation By-laws included in the 2026 Budget.

Applicable Legislation and Requirements

Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18
Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022

Attachments

Schedule A – 7160 Concession 1 Draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest
Schedule B – 381 Maltby Road East North Draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest
Schedule C – 6835 Concession 1 Draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Schedule D – 4073 Watson Road South Draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Schedule E – 95 Brock Road South Draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Schedule F- 4071 Sideroad 25 South Draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Schedule G – 4095 Sideroad 25 South Draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Short Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The property located at 7160 Concession 1, 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 has cultural heritage value due as it is closely linked to German immigration and the commercial history of the Township. Furthermore, the property is notable for its association with local stonemasonry, and its architectural value lies in its distinctive construction, as the residence was purposefully designed to function as a store as well.

Design Value:

The property is a distinctive and representative example of an "Ontario House" style residence. Its exterior features include a three-bay front façade, stone brickwork on the exterior walls, and an end gable roof with a prominent peaked front gable. Notably, the sashed windows stand out, with an arched window positioned beneath the peaked gable. The central entrance is characterized by sidelights and a transom. What sets this property apart is its commercial façade, which previously boasted two large display windows on the lower west half and a door centered between them. Additionally, the living section to its right had a door and a window. However, in the 1960s, the front openings underwent renovation. The middle store display window was replaced with a door, while the previous doors were transformed into windows. Furthermore, the entrance door in the east wall was closed off when an extension was added to the north.

Historical / Associative Value:

As early as 1861, Henry Becker and his wife Elizabeth appear on the property, located on Lot 26, Front Concession 1. The couple were from Germany and Henry was listed as a shoemaker. The store/residence was built in 1874 and the stonemasonry work is attributed to Angus McPherson, a prominent individual in the community. In 1896, Henry Becker Sr. died, leaving the property to his son, Henry Jr. and widow, Elizabeth. They ended up selling the 1/8 acre farm to Barabra McCormick. In the 1960's, Douglas Mast and his Wife Los (nee McCraig) purchased the property. In 2007, at the time of plaquing, the property was owned by Judith Gill and Sandy Osborne.

Contextual Value:

The property is situated along Concession 1, alongside a collection of other heritage properties. Notably, it shares the same Lot with the Knox Presbyterian Church. While the contractors

responsible for constructing the property were German, the style and stonemasonry employed reflected the preferences of the Scottish settlers in the area.

Moreover, the property functioned as a storefront and was strategically positioned within a commercial zone, catering to both the larger community and the nearby residences. Its location made it a significant hub of activity for the immediate vicinity.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law 7160 Concession 1:

Henry Becker Store and House:

- Original windows and doors
- Original foundation
- Stone used for exterior walls
- Height, scale, and massing of original one and a half storey property

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.



Short Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The property located at 381 Maltby Road East, 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 has cultural heritage value as it is connected to the Cockburn family, who were early Scottish immigrants that settled in the Badenoch area during the 1830s. The property was originally owned by Hugh Cockburn, who is credited with the construction of the early stone cottage that still stands on the premises. The architectural significance of the property is evident through the materials used and the date of its construction, which serve as valuable markers of its historical and cultural value.

Design Value:

The property represents an early example of a one-and-a-half-storey Ontario cottage style dwelling. Despite undergoing a series of additions and alterations, many of the original features have been preserved. These include a three-bay front façade, stone exterior walls, tall windows, and a central entrance. The construction materials feature a contrast between fieldstone and large limestone quoins, providing a visually distinctive aspect to the property. The roof features three stone chimneys and a bowed porch construction which was a common feature used to avoid accumulating heavy snow.

Historical/ Associative Value:

The property was originally settled on by Hugh Cockburn Sr., who came to Puslinch from Peeblesshire, Scotland around 1834. He settled on Lot 16, Rear Concession 8, directly beside his brother, John Cockburn who resided on Lots 17 and 18. Hugh Cockburn's niece married John Jeffrey, a native of Stirling, Scotland, in the 1850s and he was a farm manager on the property until his wife inherited it. The stone cottage was built sometime around 1855.

https://sites.rootsweb.com/~onwellin/pioneers/cockburn_john.htm

Contextual Value:

The property establishes a tangible connection to its surroundings through the use of locally sourced rubble fieldstone, showcasing the resourcefulness of the Cockburn family, who utilized readily available materials. Additionally, the residence stands as a testament to the early endeavors of Scottish immigrants to establish themselves in the Badenoch area and incorporate the Ontario cottage style as a significant architectural influence.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 381 Maltby Road East:

Hugh Cockburn Sr. House:

- Original doors and windows
- Original foundation
- Stonework used for exterior wall
- Height, scale, and massing of original one and a half storey property

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.



Short Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The property located at 6835 Concession 1, 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 has cultural heritage value as it is closely tied to the Scottish immigration to the Killean area and its association with the Scott family. The residence on the property stands out as the sole Victorian villa along Rear Gore, making it architecturally significant and unique within the area.

Design Value:

The property stands as a rare and early exemplar of a one-and-a-half-storey Victorian Villa style residence. It showcases distinctive exterior features inherent to this style, such as its unique "L" shape configuration. Other notable elements include a three-bay front façade, limestone exterior walls, an end gable roof with a prominent peaked central gable, an arched window positioned beneath the central gable, and sash windows throughout the house. The central entrance, adorned with a transom, is gracefully situated beneath a charming portico, further enhancing the architectural grandeur of the property. The property also includes two bow-shaped windows at the front, which makes it unique.

Historical /Associative Value:

John Scott, the original deed owner, acquired the land located on Lot 24, Rear Gore, in 1857. Subsequently, twenty years later, in 1877, the construction of the Victorian Villa took place. There are conflicting sources regarding the stonemason responsible for the work, with attributions to either Duncan McDonald or Mr. McQuillan. It is plausible that McDonald was involved in constructing the house, while McQuillan may have been responsible for the barn dating back to 1870. There is also a stone silo, which is one of the few remaining in the Township.

Contextual Value:

The property plays a pivotal role in defining the character of the Killean area, as it stands as the earliest stone Victorian Villa constructed in the vicinity. It serves as a tangible representation of the transition from the "Ontario House" style to a more elaborate and intricate residence that builds upon its predecessor. Furthermore, the property contributes to the overall character of the area by aligning with other properties constructed during the same era, collectively

reflecting the determined efforts of Scottish immigrants in establishing a vibrant and cohesive community.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 6835 Concession 1:

Scott House:

- Original windows and doors
- Original foundation
- Portico
- Height, scale, and massing of original one and a half storey property

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.



Short Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The property situated at 4073 Watson Road South, 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 holds significant cultural heritage value due to its connection to Scottish immigration in the Badenoch area of the Township, as well as its association with the McEdward family. Moreover, the residence on the property carries architectural significance as it coexists with the adjacent properties, adding to the overall visual appeal and historical context of the area.

Design Value:

The property is an exceptional example of a one-and-a-half-storey "Ontario House" style residence, showcasing several outstanding exterior features. These include a three-bay front façade, stone brickwork on the exterior walls, and an end gable roof with a prominent peaked front gable. The sashed windows are a notable highlight, with an arched window positioned beneath the peaked gable. The central entrance is distinguished by sidelights and a transom. The chimneys, although not original are still functional.

Historical/ Associative Value:

The property, situated on Lot 37, Front Concession 10, has remained in the McEdward family since Duncan McEdward arrived from Scotland to the Badenoch area in 1833. The house, constructed in 1862 using limestone, stands as a testament to the family's enduring legacy. When the home received a plaque in 2000, four McEdward sisters resided in the house. The property is presently owned and occupied by a descendant of the McEdward family and her partner.

Contextual Value:

The property is situated within a streetscape that features a collection of mid-to-late 19th-century farmhouses, all initially established by Scottish settlers in the Badenoch area. The architectural style of the residence not only contributes to the area's character but also harmonizes with the other architectural styles prevalent in its immediate vicinity. Furthermore, the use of locally sourced limestone for the construction of the farmhouse visually integrates it with its surroundings, forging a visual connection to the area's natural elements.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 4073 Watson Rd S

Duncan McEdward House:

- Doors and windows are in original locations, but upgrades or sympathetic replacements made
- Original foundation
- Limestone bricks used for exterior construction
- Height, scale, and massing of original one and a half storey property

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.



Short Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The property located at 95 Brock Road South, Aberfoyle, 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 has cultural heritage value due to its close association with the Scottish settlement in the Aberfoyle area and its connection to the MacBeath family. The residence on the property holds cultural heritage value as it serves as an exemplary representation of an Ontario House within the Aberfoyle region, showcasing the architectural style prevalent in that area during its time of construction.

Design Value:

The property is an excellent representative example of a one-and-a-half-storey "Ontario House" style residence. The exterior features of this style showcases several distinctive exterior features, such as a three-bay front façade, stone brickwork on the exterior walls, an end gable roof with a peaked front gable, sashed windows with a gothic arched window beneath the peaked gable, and a central entrance with sidelights and a transom. The porch has been on the front of the house as long as the local residents can remember.

Historical /Associative Value:

The property, situated on Lot 23, Rear Concession 7, was originally owned by the McBeath family when the farmhouse was constructed circa 1870. Afterward, the Moore family became the owners, eventually selling the farm to the Schwartz family over 50 years ago. Across three generations, the Schwartz family maintained ownership of the house. In a later transaction, Nestle Waters acquired the property and carried out considerate renovations, ensuring the preservation of its historical integrity. The property served as a corporate meeting center under Nestle Waters' ownership. **The property was on the market in 2025 as Nestle left Aberfoyle. Perhaps the township knows if the house belongs to the company that purchased Nestles and can update this.**

Contextual Value:

The property exhibits a strong physical and functional connection to its surroundings as it integrates into the agricultural landscape of Aberfoyle. Moreover, the household on the property is closely associated with the specific time period in which it was constructed, as the distinct architectural style known as the "Ontario House" was prevalent only from the 1840s to the 1880s.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 95 Brock Rd S:

Malcolm McBeath House:

- Original location of windows and doors with some upgrades
- Original foundation
- Verandah and ornamentation
- Height, scale, and massing of original one and a half storey property

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.



Short Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The property situated at 4071 Sideroad 25 South, 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 holds significant cultural heritage value as it is closely linked to the Scottish settlement in the Crieff area of the Township. Its association with the early Scottish settlers adds to its historical significance. Furthermore, the property possesses a rare architectural construction and boasts unique features, further enhancing its value. It was previously owned by the Munro family and has served as a home for many generations, deepening its historical and cultural importance within the community.

Design Value:

The property stands as an early and notable example of a one-and-a-half-storey Ontario cottage/house style residence. This architectural style showcases a range of distinctive exterior features, including a three-bay front façade, stone exterior walls, a peaked front gable on the roof, sashed windows with a gothic arched window positioned beneath the gable, and a central entrance adorned with a transom. The use of fieldstone in the construction indicates an 1860's build, characterized by a simple entry door and the absence of a gabled roof, typical of early constructions. The mason's craftsmanship is evident in the soldier lintels above doors and windows, as well as the large stone quoins. An addition has been made on the north side of the original house, incorporating a log cabin that was relocated from Eastern Ontario

Historical / Associative Value:

The property, located on Lot 26, Rear Gore, was purchased by Scotland-native brothers Murdoch and Kenneth Munroe from John "Black" McPherson in 1842. The brothers kept a blacksmith shop in Crieff, across from the Becker family's store for many years. There is now a parking lot for Knox church where the shop used to stand. The stone residence was built sometime in the early 1860s and later converted into an "Ontario House" style. By 1877, the property was sold to the Scott family of Scott's Corners, Beverly Township south of Puslinch.

Contextual Value:

The property forms an integral part of a picturesque streetscape comprising numerous "Ontario" style houses constructed by Scottish settlers in the Crieff area. In its immediate vicinity, notable early stone residences such as the Duncan McPherson, Walter Cowan, and Laughlin McMillan houses can be found, collectively contributing to the area's historical and

architectural charm. Moreover, the property itself boasts unique features that distinctly define the character of the locality. Notably, it showcases three distinct stages of architectural style within a single property, offering a captivating glimpse into the evolution of architectural design and construction practices over time.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 4071 Sideroad 25 S:

Munroe House:

- Original windows and doors
- Original foundation
- Stone used for exterior wall
- Height, scale, and massing of original one and a half storey property

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.



Short Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The property located at 4095 Sideroad 25 S, 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 is of significant cultural heritage value due to its deep connection with various industries and communities in the Crieff region. Throughout its history, the property has fulfilled diverse roles, serving as a hotel, shoemaker's shop, residence, and retreat. Furthermore, it maintains a strong association with the Scottish settlement of Crieff and remains closely intertwined with its surrounding environment. Moreover, the property possesses additional value due to its distinctive architectural efforts and the craftsmanship applied to its construction.

Design Value:

The property is a finely constructed, rare and unique one-and-a-half-story building that consists of a residence with a **built-on** shoemaker's shop and roadhouse. The residence was constructed in the neoclassic style with vernacular elements. The exterior features, which are characteristic of this style and also present on the property, include a three-bay front facade made from stone, an end gable roof with matching chimneys, small-paned windows, and a central entrance with a transom and sidelights. Additionally, the vernacular elements that are evident on the property consist of the front porch and the fieldstone fence that connects from the front of the house to the front yard. Adjacent to the property is a stone shed that is also constructed using the same fieldstone as the main residence.

Historical/ Associative Value:

The property, situated on Lot 26, Concession 1, has played a significant role in the lives of numerous Crieff families and has served various purposes throughout its history. Among the families who have inhabited this expansive lot are the Frasers, McPhersons, McIntoshes, and McConnells, all of whom occupied parts of the land prior to the construction of the current property. Additionally, the site functioned as a roadhouse for many years with the present living room being used as the dining and pub area.

The existing stone building, which stands today, was originally erected for William McDonald in the 1880s. McDonald also operated his shoemaker shop on the same lot. In the 1920s, Charles Irwin became the occupant of the stone house. Subsequently, Col. McLean undertook the restoration of the house, and it was utilized as a residence for his gardeners, Frank and Betty Gartland. Consequently, it was renamed "The Gartland House."

At some point, the Crieff Presbyterian Church acquired both the land and the house. Presently, it serves as a retreat for the church.

- Unsure of what order the property was used for; did the roadhouse serve as a residence for the families? Did the roadhouse stand separate from other dwellings on the lot?

Contextual Value:

The property aligns with the development of the Crieff region and serves as a tangible embodiment of the diverse public needs during the 1800s. Moreover, it is situated in close proximity to numerous early residences, thus exemplifying the architectural endeavors of the late 19th century. Furthermore, the property occupies an adjoining plot to the Knox Presbyterian Church, forging a historical connection between the property and the Scottish settlement as well as the religious establishment in the Crieff area.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 4095 Sideroad 25 S:

William McDonald House:

- Original doors and windows
- Original foundation
- Front porch and stone fencing
- Stone shed
- Height, scale, and massing of original one and a half storey property
- Chimneys

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.





REPORT HER-2026-004

TO: Heritage Advisory Committee Chair and Members of Committee

PREPARED BY: Laura Emery, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy Clerk

PRESENTED BY: Laura Emery, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy Clerk

MEETING DATE: March 2, 2026

SUBJECT: 2022 – 2026 Goals and Objectives Update

RECOMMENDATION

That report HER-2026-004 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. Killean Bell - School Section Monument Unveiling (Permanent Framed Display)

The sub-committee hosted a booth at the Puslinch Community Showcase to share the historical information on the 12 school sections of Puslinch. The sub-committee is now coordinating with the Puslinch Historical Society and to 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 funded from the Committee's professional development and office supplies budget.

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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Week of October 27th Week of November 3rd Week November 24th
Heritage Designation Open House	December 2, 2025
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	Summer 2026
Notice of Intention to Designate	Summer 2026

Objection Deadline (30 days from Notice of Intention to Designate)	Summer 2026
Council consideration of Designation By-laws where no objection is received (First Council meeting following 30-day objection period)	Summer/Fall 2026
Final day to pass Designation By-law (120 days from Notice of Intention to Designate)	Fall 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.

Financial Implications

The Committee has a \$300 budget for this initiative funded from the Committee’s professional development and office supplies budget.

Applicable Legislation and Requirements

None

Attachments

Schedule A – Heritage Advisory Committee Goals and Objectives Workplan



REPORT HER-2026-005

TO: Heritage Advisory Committee Chair and Members of Committee

PREPARED BY: Laura Emery, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy Clerk

PRESENTED BY: Laura Emery, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy Clerk

MEETING DATE: March 2, 2026

SUBJECT: 7108 Concession 2

RECOMMENDATION

That Report HER-2026-005 entitled 7108 Concession 2 be received; and,

That _____ & _____ be appointed to a sub-committee to review the heritage value of 7108 Concession 2 ; and,

That a Committee Memo from the sub-committee be presented at a future Heritage Advisory Committee meeting for the Committee's consideration.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide the Heritage Advisory Committee with a request from a member of the public with respect to the heritage value of 7108 Concession 2.

Background

Township staff received a request from a member of the public regarding the heritage status of 7108 Concession 2 and if the property should be considered for heritage designation.

The property municipally known as 7108 Concession 2 is not included on the Township's Heritage Register and there is no heritage files with respect to this property.

Prior to the property being considered for possible designation a review of the properties heritage value must be completed. It is staff's recommendation that a sub-committee be appointed to research the property's heritage value. In order for a property to be considered for designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the property must meet at least two of the nine prescribed criteria.

Financial Implications

None

Applicable Legislation and Requirements

None

Attachments

None