



## **Notice of Passing of Designation By-law – 4661 Sideroad 10 North, Puslinch**

### **NOTICE OF PASSING OF DESIGNATION BY-LAW 2026-024**

TAKE NOTICE that Council for the Township of Puslinch passed Designation By-law 2026-024 on May 13, 2026, which designates the lands, buildings and structures located at PT LT 11 CON 4 PUSLINCH - PT 1 61R10690 ; PUSLINCH, known municipally 4661 Sideroad 10 North, Puslinch, under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18, as amended, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest.

#### **IF YOU WISH TO APPEAL TO THE ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL:**

Take notice that an appeal of the Designation by-law for the Property by those persons permitted to appeal under section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act may be made by filing a notice of appeal with the Municipal Clerk, Township of Puslinch 7404 Wellington Road 34, Puslinch, Ontario, N0B 2J0; Email: [admin@puslinch.ca](mailto:admin@puslinch.ca) within thirty days of May 13, 2026, which is June 12, 2026.

#### **A Notice of Appeal must:**

- (1) set out the reasons for the objection to the designation by-law; and
- (2) set out the reasons in support of the objection to the designation by-law.

If you wish to appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT), forms are available from the Ontario Land Tribunal website at <https://olt.gov.on.ca>

#### **Who Can File An Appeal:**

Any persons who objected to the designation by-law may refer the matter to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

#### **Getting Additional Information:**

A copy of the by-law and background information about the designation is available for public inspection by contacting the Administration Department at [admin@puslinch.ca](mailto:admin@puslinch.ca).

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH**

**BY-LAW NUMBER 2026-024**

Being a by-law to authorize the designation of real property located at 4661 Sideroad 10 North, Puslinch, as the property of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18.

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18 authorizes a municipality to designate a property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage interest if the property meets the prescribed criteria and the designation is made in accordance with the process set out in the Ontario Heritage Act;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch, in consultation with the Puslinch Heritage Advisory Committee, deems 4661 Sideroad 10 North to be of cultural heritage interest in accordance with the prescribed criteria by the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch did give notice of its intention to designate the property mentioned in section 1 of this by-law in accordance with subsection 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch hereby enacts as follows:

1. That the property located at 4661 Sideroad 10 North, Puslinch, and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, is hereby designated as property of cultural heritage value.
2. That the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed,
  - a. to cause a copy of this by-law, together with reasons for the designation, to be served on the subject property owner and The Ontario Heritage Trust by personal service or by registered mail;
  - b. to publish a notice of this by-law once in a newspaper having general circulation in the Township of Puslinch.
3. That the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this bylaw, together with the statement of cultural heritage value or interest and description of heritage attributes set out in Schedule "B" hereto annexed and forming part of this bylaw, to be registered against the property affected in the proper land registry office.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 6<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY 2026.

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James Seeley, Mayor

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Justine Brotherston, Clerk

Schedule "A"  
To  
By-law Number 2026-024

4661 Sideroad 10 North,  
Puslinch

PIN: 71209-0153

Legal Description: PT LT 11 CON 4 PUSLINCH - PT 1 61R10690 ; PUSLINCH

Schedule "B"  
To  
By-law Number 2026-024

4661 Sideroad 10 North,  
Puslinch

**STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST AND DESCRIPTION OF  
HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES**

**Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:**

The property located at 4661 Sideroad 10 North, Puslinch, has been determined to have cultural heritage value or interest as it meets four of the nine criteria prescribed by Ontario Regulation 9/06 under the Ontario Heritage Act.

The property contains the William Thompson farmhouse and holds cultural heritage value as it is closely associated with English settlement in the area. Thompson was part of the English settlement wave in the 1830s and the stone farmhouse he eventually had constructed has physical value in its design, use of stone building material and remarkable craftsmanship as a representative example of an Ontario farmhouse.

After the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century, the 1.5-storey, side gable house form with a centered front gable and a single storey tail or wing became a predominant small house design in Ontario as it was highly functional bringing natural light to an upper hall and diverted runoff away from the front door.

Design/Physical Value:

The William Thompson farmhouse is a representative example of a 1.5-storey, Ontario stone farmhouse with a three-bay front façade and a side gable roof with an open cornice. A pointed or Gothic arch of cut and dressed limestone voussoirs is within the front gable over a modern door onto a modern porch balcony. The façade, front door and windows have quoins of cut and dressed limestone. The two front windows have a flat or jack arch constructed in limestone with a keystone between four voussoirs and two haunch stones. The windows have a limestone lug sill.

The impressive façade was constructed using roughly squared, split-faced granite with varied colouration in even horizontal courses finished with incised joints and white tape pointing. An important architectural feature of the façade stonework is what has been referred to as Edinburgh coursing or the occasional use of two smaller stones with mortar joints that create an "H" shape within each horizontal course.

The side gable walls and rear wall are of mixed fieldstone rubblework. The windows of the north gable wall have wooden lintels and wood lug sills whereas those of the south gable are of stone. The rear wall presents evidence of a formerly symmetrical fenestration. In the upper middle of the wall just under the soffit is a semi-circular arch that has been filled in with small fieldstones over a dressed limestone sill. The door on the left filled in an earlier opening below a flat arch of five stones that matches the arch of the rear window on the right. The middle rear window head is lower but still appears to be early or original as it too has a five-stone arch.

Historical/ Associative Value:

The property, located on Lot 11, Concession 4, was originally settled on by William Thompson, an immigrant from England who came to the Township in 1833. Prior to the construction of the stone residence, the Thompson family lived in a log house, which unfortunately burned down in 1874. In response to the fire, the stone house was promptly erected in 1875.

The Thompson family continued to reside in the property until the beginning of the 20th century. By 1906 Adam Brickel is indicated as the property owner in the map of the Township of Puslinch in the Historical Atlas of the County of Wellington. By the 1950s, ownership had passed to Mrs. Lynch.

Contextual Value:

The property has contextual value because it is an important extant built heritage element that helps define, maintain and support the historical agricultural landscape character of the area. The property's presence serves as a testament to the exceptional skills and construction techniques employed by Scottish settlers.

1. The property has design value or physical value because it is a rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method.	Criteria met	The property has design value or physical value because it contains a representative example of excellent Ontario farmhouse form constructed in granite with limestone trim.
2. The property has design value or physical value because it displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit.	Criteria met	The construction of the façade displays a high degree of craftsmanship.
3. The property has design value or physical value because it demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.	Criteria not met	
4. The property has historical value or associative value because it has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institution that is significant to a community	Criteria met	The property has historical value or associative value because it has direct associations with the theme of Scottish settlement in the Township of Puslinch,
5. The property has historical value or associative value because it yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture.	Criteria not met	
6. The property has historical value or associative value because it demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a community.	Criteria not met	
7. The property has contextual value because it is important in defining, maintaining or supporting the character of an area.	Criteria met	The property has contextual value because it is an important extant built heritage element that helps define, maintain and support the historical agricultural landscape character of the area. The property's presence serves as a testament to the exceptional skills and construction techniques employed by Scottish settlers.
8. The property has contextual value because it is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings.	Criteria not met	
9. The property has contextual value because it is a landmark.	Criteria not met	

**Description of Heritage Attributes**

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 4661 Sideroad 10 North:

- 1.5-storey, Ontario stone farmhouse
- 3-bay front façade with a side gable roof and open cornice.

- Pointed or Gothic arch of cut and dressed limestone voussoirs within the front gable
- Cut and dressed limestone quoins on front corners and front door and front windows.
- Front windows with flat or jack arches in limestone with keystone between four voussoirs and two haunch stones above a limestone lug sill.
- Façade constructed using roughly squared, split-faced granite with varied colouration in even horizontal courses finished with incised joints with white tape pointing and Edinburgh coursing or the occasional use of two smaller stones with mortar joints that create an “H” shape within each horizontal course.
- Side gable walls and rear wall of mixed fieldstone rubblework
- Semi-circular arch of dressed limestone blocks over a dressed limestone sill under the rear soffit.
- Original flat, five-stone arches on rear wall.
- Original stone foundation

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.