



REPORT

TO: Mayor Lawlor and Members of Council

FROM: Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning

DATE: November 17, 2023

REPORT NO.: PD-2023-070

SUBJECT: Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act – 14 Tweedle Street

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Report No. PD-2023-070 dated November 17, 2023 and titled “Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act – 14 Tweedle Street” be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council state its intention to designate the property at 14 Tweedle Street, Glen Williams, known as the Sykes & Ainley Workers’ Cottage, legally described as “PT LT 21, CON 10 ESQ, PART 2, 20R5104; AKA; PT LT 17, RCP 1556; HALTON HILLS/ESQUESING”, under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act as recommended by Heritage Halton Hills;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town Clerk proceed with serving a Notice of Intention to Designate as mandated by Section 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND FURTHER THAT once the 30-day objection period has expired, and if there are no objections, a designation by-law for the property at 14 Tweedle Street, Glen Williams be brought forward to Council for adoption.

KEY POINTS:

The following are key points for consideration with respect to this report:

- The property at 14 Tweedle Street, Glen Williams meets Ontario Regulation 9/06 criteria for designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, and,
- Staff are recommending that Council state its intention to designate the property.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION:

The subject property is located at 14 Tweedle Street, Glen Williams. The property is located along the west side of Tweedle Street and contains a single-detached, one-and-a-half storey wood frame residential building constructed c.1905, surrounded by mature trees on the south and west lot lines, with a small contemporary outbuilding towards the rear. The property was listed on the Town's Heritage Register during Phase 1 of the Town's Heritage Register process (2010) and was originally identified as an excellent example of the Gothic Revival style built by Sykes and Ainley Woollen Mills as a worker's home.

The property at 14 Tweedle Street has been researched and evaluated by staff as part of the Town's Council-approved Heritage Register prioritization strategy to respond to *Bill 23, More Homes, Built Faster Act, 2022*¹.

An information package and notice of the Town's Heritage Strategy in response to Bill 23 was sent to the property owner in August 2023. Staff met with the property owners on September 12, 2023, and discussed their questions and concerns relating to designation.

On October 4, a second notice was sent to the owner advising that the Research and Evaluation report for the property would be reviewed by Heritage Halton Hills at its October 18th meeting. The owner attended the Heritage Halton Hills committee meeting on October 18th.

Heritage Halton Hills reviewed the Research & Evaluation report for the subject property at the October 18, 2023, meeting and the following motion was carried:

Recommendation No. HHH-2023-0040

THAT Heritage Halton Hills recommend Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property at 14 Tweedle Street (Glen Williams) (Sykes & Ainley Worker's Cottage) for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

On November 10, staff sent an email to the property owner as well as a registered letter identifying that they would be bringing a recommendation report to Council on December 11, 2023, concerning their property.

The property has been identified as having significant cultural heritage value as representative of a worker's cottage in the Gothic Revival style in the community of Glen Williams, associated with the Sykes and Ainley Manufacturing Company as well as the Glen Williams Woollen Mills and Glen Textiles. The property serves to maintain and support the character of the area and is linked to its historic surroundings.

The heritage attributes of the property at 14 Tweedle Street in Glen Williams are identified as follows:

¹ Bill 23 stipulates that municipalities have a two-year window to determine whether properties on the Heritage Register warrant designation under the Ontario Heritage Act. If not so designated after two years, properties must be removed from the Heritage Register.

- The setback, location, and orientation of the one-and-a-half storey residential Ontario Cottage home in the Gothic Revival Style along Tweedle Street in the community of Glen Williams;
- The scale, form, and massing of the existing building, including its gable roof with central gable at the front elevation;
- The materials, including stone foundation and wooden architectural and decorative elements throughout;
- The front elevation, including:
 - o The centrally located entrance with symmetrically placed flat-headed window openings at the first story;
 - o The one-storey wooden porch with hipped roof, wooden columns and decorative woodwork beneath bracketed eaves, and ornate wooden porch railing above a wooden porch floor;
 - o Beneath the gable peak, the single flat-headed window opening beneath decorative bargeboard;
- The side elevations, including:
 - o The symmetrically placed single flat-headed window openings at the first and second storeys.

The rear elevation, rear addition, and interiors have not been identified as part of this report.

Based on the identified cultural heritage value of the property, and as the property meets criteria for designation per Ontario Regulation 9/06 criteria, staff are recommending that Council designate the property at 14 Tweedle Street in Glen Williams under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This report aligns to the Town's Strategic plan recognizing the value to preserve, protect and promote our distinctive historical urban and rural character of Halton Hills through the conservation and promotion of our built heritage, cultural heritage landscapes and archaeological resources.

This report also identifies shaping growth as one of the Town's Strategic priorities.

RELATIONSHIP TO CLIMATE CHANGE:

This report is administrative in nature and does not directly impact or address climate change and the Town's Net Zero target.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT:

Public Engagement was not needed as this report is administrative in nature.

INTERNAL CONSULTATION:

Heritage Halton Hills was consulted in the preparation of this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

This report is administrative in nature and does not have any financial implications.

Reviewed and approved by,

Bronwyn Parker, Director of Planning Policy

John Linhardt, Commissioner of Planning & Development

Chris Mills, Chief Administrative Officer