



BY-LAW NO. 2024-0041

A By-law to designate Barraclough House, located at 25 Mountain Street, Glen Williams, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18 authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact a by-law to designate real property, including all of the buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS authority was granted by the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills to designate the property at 25 Mountain Street, Glen Williams, Town of Halton Hills, Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as Barraclough House, as being of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills has caused to be served upon the owners of the land and premises known as Barraclough House at 25 Mountain Street, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to Designate the property and has caused Notice of Intention to be published on the Town's website per the Town's "Ontario Heritage Act – Alternate Notice Policy";

AND WHEREAS on April 15, 2024, Council for the Town of Halton Hills approved the Report No. PD-2024-021, dated March 1, 2024, in which certain recommendations were made relating to the designation of the subject property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT Barraclough House located at 25 Mountain Street, and further described in Schedule "A", is hereby designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest for the reasons set out in Schedule "B" attached to and forming part of this By-law;
2. THAT a copy of this By-law together with reasons for the designation be registered against the property and served in accordance with Section 29 of the Act;
3. THAT a notice of this By-law be published in accordance with Section 29 of the Act.

BY-LAW read and passed by the Council for the Town of Halton Hills this 27th day of May, 2024.

MAYOR – ANN LAWLOR

TOWN CLERK – VALERIE PETRYNIAK

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 2024-0041

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PIN: 250580202

LT 41, RCP 1556. TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

SCHEDULE “B” TO BY-LAW NO. 2024-0041

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Description of Property

The property at 25 Mountain Street is located at the south intersection of Tweedle Street and Mountain Street, along the south side of Mountain Street, in the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills. The property is an irregular-shaped lot with a wide frontage onto Mountain Street, with the Credit River at the rear (south) of the property. The property features many mature trees and significant landscaping along Mountain Street, with a paved driveway and walkways allowing access to the property. A fence runs along Mountain Street between the existing house and the right of way.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The property at 25 Mountain Street has significant physical and design value as a unique example of the Queen Anne Revival style within the community of Glen Williams, unique within the community in its detailing, construction, and style. Barraclough House features a balanced, vs. symmetrical, composition, a variety of materials, and varied architectural detailing throughout providing visual interest. A combination flat-headed, round-arched, and bay windows of assorted sizes throughout, an interesting mix of materials including red brick, stone, stucco and half-timbering, tall chimneys, dormers projecting through the roofline, and detailing on each façade demonstrate the high degree of craftsmanship and artistic merit of the home. The detailed rear elevation facing the Credit River with wrap-around verandah, gable-roofed dormer and variety of window openings further enhance the physical value of this property. Additionally, an intricate stained-glass window demonstrates a high degree of technical achievement on the primary elevation of the home.

The property at 25 Mountain Street has extensive historical and associative value due to its associations with the woollen mill industry in Glen Williams, Ernest Barraclough and family, and Lucy Maud Montgomery. Barraclough House was built for Ernest Barraclough, Secretary-Treasurer and General Manager of the Glen Woollen Mills Company (previously the Williams’ Woollen Mill and later Sykes and Ainley Manufacturing Company), which at the height of its success employed between 60 and 70 people in the community. In 1925, Ernest and Ida Barraclough met author Lucy Maud Montgomery and her husband Reverend Ewan Macdonald; friends with the couple for over 10 years, Montgomery noted in her journals that the house had “an agreeable personality”.

The property at 25 Mountain Street has contextual value as a significant landmark in the community of Glen Williams, important in defining the character of the area in its location at the intersection of Tweedle Street and Mountain Street. Built within the hill above the former location of the woollen mill, the house is visually and historically linked to its surroundings. Its unique construction and architectural detailing make the property one of the most unusual and interesting homes within the community and serves as a reminder of the community’s historical past as a milling community.

Heritage Attributes

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 25 Mountain Street that contribute to its physical and design value include:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing building along Mountain Street in the community of Glen Williams, Town of Halton Hills;

- The scale, form, and massing of the existing two-and-a-half storey Queen Anne Revival building, with stone foundation, gable roof, gable-roofed dormers, and brick chimney;
- The materials, including triple-wythe red brick construction, stone foundation, stone sills and lintels, stucco and half-wood timbering, wooden porch and verandah, and stained-glass window;
- The primary (north) elevation, including:
 - The central entrance accessed via an open stone porch, with wooden surround and sidelights:
 - At the first storey:
 - The large flat-headed window opening with stone sill, stone lintel, and wooden shutters;
 - The smaller rectangular window opening with brick voussoirs and stone sill with wooden shutters;
 - The projecting bay with mansard roof and brick base, wooden detailing, and flat-headed window openings beneath the bracketed bay roof;
 - At the second storey:
 - The vertical flat-headed window opening with stone sill, lintel, and shutters; two horizontal flat-headed window openings with stone sills, lintels, and wooden shutters centered above the front elevation, and arched window opening with stone sill and stone hood mould above, including the stained-glass window within;
 - The half-timbering wrapping around the corner to the side elevation;
 - Tall brick chimneys extending above the gable roof;
 - Gable-roofed dormer with wooden architectural detailing;
- The side (southwest) elevation, including:
 - The stone foundation is punctuated by flat-headed window openings with stone sills;
 - Projecting bay extending from a brick base at the first storey with three symmetrically placed flat-headed window openings with stone sills and lintels;
 - The large window opening adjacent to the projecting bay with three hung windows, stone lintel, and sill;
 - At the second storey, two projecting bays mirroring one another with wooden architectural detailing throughout, with the southernmost bay supported by wooden brackets.
 - Above the second storey, half-timbering, and stucco within the wooden projecting bay with multi-divided windows beneath the centre gable with wooden detailing along the eaves.
- The rear (south) elevation, including:
 - The wooden verandah flanked by an elaborately detailed covered, round-arched porch with Doric columns over a flat-headed entrance accessed via a flight of wooden steps;
 - Flat-headed tripartite window opening with stone lintel and sill and flat-headed window opening with dual hung windows within;
 - Brick at the first storey and half-timbering at the second storey;
 - The projecting bay and elaborate dormer with brick, symmetrically placed window openings and smaller openings within the paneled portion of the bay at the second storey;
 - Within the southwest portion of the elevation, the horizontal window opening with stone sill and lintel with three windows within and a smaller window opening beside;
 - Above the roofline, the bay with gable roof and smaller rectangular window openings beneath the bracketed roof featuring detailed woodwork and shingles as well as the brick chimney.
- The side (northeast) elevation, including:

- Two door openings at grade, including the wrap-around verandah and small covered wooden porch beyond;
- Small window openings with wooden shutters and brick voussoirs beneath the eaves of the porch roof;
- At the second storey, symmetrically placed flatheaded window openings with stone sills, lintels, and wooden shutters; and,
- Wooden, bracketed projecting bay is located at the upper storey and is located within the shingled façade beneath the decorative bracketed eaves.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 25 Mountain Street that contribute to its historical and associative value include:

- The property's legibility as an early twentieth-century Queen Anne Revival residential building.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 25 Mountain Street that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The property's legibility as an early twentieth-century Queen Anne Revival residential building.
- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing building along Mountain Street in the community of Glen Williams, Town of Halton Hills; and,
- The scale, form, and massing of the existing building along Mountain Street in Glen Williams.