



REPORT

TO: Mayor Lawlor and Members of Council

FROM: Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning

DATE: September 19, 2024

REPORT NO.: PD-2024-071

SUBJECT: Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act – 23 Young Street

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Report No. PD-2024-071 dated September 19, 2024 and titled “Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act – 23 Young Street” be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council state its intention to designate the property at 23 Young Street, Acton, known as the Campbell Cottage, legally described as “LT 40, PL 28, ALSO SHOWN ON PL1098; HALTON HILLS”, 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 23 Young Street be brought forward to Council for adoption.

KEY POINTS:

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

- Staff have undertaken Research & Evaluation of the property at the request of the property owner.
- The subject property 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 23 Young Street in the community of Acton, Halton Hills, and is situated on the northwest corner of Young and Arthur Street. The property contains a single storey, timber-framed brick-veneer cottage constructed in 1887. The property is not currently listed on the Town's Heritage Register or designated under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

The ownership of the property has recently changed and the current Owner requested in June 2023 that the property be researched and evaluated for potential designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*. On August 28, 2024, staff notified the Owner that the Research and Evaluation Report for the subject property would be reviewed at the September 18, 2024 meeting of Heritage Halton Hills.

Heritage Halton Hills reviewed the final Research & Evaluation Report for the property at its meeting of September 18, 2024. Following discussion, the following motion was carried:

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0047

THAT Heritage Halton Hills Committee recommend Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property at 23 Young Street for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

The property has been identified as an example of a vernacular cottage with Gothic Revival influences within the community of Acton, with connections to Archibald Campbell, Roy Hurd, and the McGregor family. The property is also identified as contextually significant within the community of Acton.

As described in the Research & Evaluation Report, the identified heritage attributes of the property include:

- The location, setback, and orientation of the existing Ontario Gothic Cottage along Young Street in Acton, Halton Hills, Ontario;
- The scale, form, and massing of the single-storey, timber-framed brick veneer cottage;
- The materials, including brick and limestone;
- The front (south) elevation, including:
 - The central segmentally arched entrance with transom window and, flanked by symmetrically placed segmentally arched windows;
 - The voussoirs above the window and door openings, featuring a limestone capstone and vertically placed bricks forming the arch;
 - The trompe-l'œil decorative window hoods painted above the windows.
 - The symmetrically placed entrance and windows.
- Side (east) elevation, including:
 - Two segmentally arched window openings with limestone sills and voussoirs;
- Side (West) Elevation, including:

- Twin segmentally arched window openings with limestone sills and voussoirs separated by a single header and stretcher group on the north half of the wall; and,
- A single segmentally arched window opening with the voussoirs above the window featuring a limestone capstone on the south half of the wall.

The rear elevation and interiors have not been identified as heritage attributes of the subject property.

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 under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This report identifies natural areas and heritage 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