

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0032

A By-law to designate the Creighton-Moore Farmstead, located at 9104 Dublin Line, 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 9104 Dublin Line, Town of Halton Hills, Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the Creighton-Moore Farmstead, 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 the Creighton-Moore Farmstead, at 9104 Dublin Line, 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 the Reasons for Designation are set out in Schedule "B" of this by-law;

AND WHEREAS on March 3, 2025, Council for the Town of Halton Hills approved Report No. PD-2025-008, dated February 7, 2025, 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 the Creighton-Moore Farmstead located at 9104 Dublin Line 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 14th day of April, 2025.

MAYOR – ANN LAWLOR
TOWN CLERK – VALERIE PETRYNIAK

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 2025-0032

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PT LT 6, CON 1 ESQ, PT 1, 20R6771, EXCEPT PT 1, 20R14515 & PT 1 EXP. PLAN HR1262463 TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

PIN: 249780259

SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NO. 2025-0032

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Description of Property

The subject property is a rectangular-shaped parcel along the southwest side of Dublin Line in Halton Hills. The property contains a one-and-a-half storey farmhouse with c.1950s rear addition and several associated outbuildings, and is legally described as "PT LT 6, CON 1 ESQ, PT 1, 20R6771, EXCEPT PT 1, 20R14515 & PT 1 EXP. PLAN HR1262463 TOWN OF HALTON HILLS".

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The Creighton-Moore Farmstead at 9104 Dublin Line has physical and design value as a representative example of a late-nineteenth-century agricultural residence in the Ontario Gothic Cottage style. The one-and-a-half storey residential building exhibits features typical of this style, including the cross-gable roof, squared cut ashlar and rubble construction, quoining, decorative wooden bargeboard, stone sills and lintels, transom, sidelight windows, central gable peaks with arched window openings, and red brick chimneys.

The Creighton-Moore Farmstead at 9104 Dublin Line has historical and associative value due to its connections with the Creighton, Moore, and Chisholm families. These families significantly contributed to the agricultural and social history of the region. John Creighton, one of the first Scottish settlers in Scotch Block during the 1820s, initially cleared the land for agricultural use. He played a key role in establishing the first Presbyterian church in the area and was actively involved in local agriculture and politics. Ownership of the property remained within the Creighton family and their direct descendants intermittently until the mid-twentieth century. William Moore Jr., a descendant of United Empire Loyalists, constructed the extant dwelling in the 1870s and operated a sheep farm on the subject property. The Moore family remained involved in the local Presbyterian community, contributing to the Boston Presbyterian Church and its associated cemetery. In the 1940s, the property was acquired by James "Lloyd" Chisholm, a descendant of John Creighton. Chisholm established a successful dairy and later horse-breeding operation on the property, playing a key role in the development of the standardbred horse racing industry in Ontario. His involvement in the foundation of the Ontario Sires Stakes program and his contributions to the Standardbred Breeders of Ontario Association are recognized as significant achievements in the field of Canadian horse racing.

The Creighton-Moore Farmstead at 9104 Dublin Line has contextual value as an important part of the rural agricultural landscape in the Scotch Block area of Halton Hills. The property remains physically, functionally, and visually linked to its surroundings, with the c.1870s farmhouse set within a broader agricultural setting that includes rear fields and windrows along the property edges. The farmhouse, constructed by William Moore Jr., reflects the rural character of the area and contributes to the historical continuity of farmstead development in the region. While modern development has encroached upon the surrounding landscape, the property maintains its agricultural roots, reinforcing the historic and agricultural character of the Scotch Block.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 9104 Dublin Line that contribute to its physical and design value include:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing farmhouse within the subject property;
- The scale, form, and massing of the existing one-and-a-half storey Gothic Revival farmhouse with cross-gable roof;
- The materials, including the squared stone and rubble exterior with dressed stone quoining;
- The front (northeast) elevation, including:
 - o The central entrance with transom window, stone lintel, and sidelight

windows;

- Four rectangular flat-head window openings with stone lintels and footed by limestone sills;
- Central gable with a full-centered arched window opening, stone voussoir and wooden bargeboard.
- The side (northwest) elevation including:
 - Red brick chimney above the gable peak;
 - o Six rectangular flat-headed window openings with stone lintels and sills;
 - Central gable with a full-centered arched window opening, stone voussoir, and stone sill.
- The side (southeast) elevation including:
 - Red brick chimney;
 - o Six rectangular flat-headed window openings with stone lintels and sills;
 - Central gable with a full-centered arched window opening, stone voussoir, and stone sill.
- The rear (southwest) elevation including:
 - Extended red brick chimney;
 - Rectangular flat-headed window openings with stone lintels and sills.

The identified heritage attribute of the property at 9104 Dublin Line that contributes to its historical and associative value includes:

- The legibility of the existing property as a late-nineteenth-century Gothic Revival residential building along Dublin Line within the community of Scotch Block in the Town of Halton Hills.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 9104 Dublin Line that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The legibility of the existing property as a late-nineteenth-century Gothic Revival residential building along Dublin Line within the community of Scotch Block in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The setback, location, and orientation of the c.1870s Creighton-Moore Farmstead on the southwest side of Dublin Line in the community of Scotch Block; and,
- The scale, form, and massing of the one-and-a-half storey stone Gothic Revival residential building.