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REPORT

TO: Mayor Lawlor and Members of Council

FROM: Caylee MacPherson, Planner – Development Review & Heritage

DATE: July 21, 2025

REPORT NO.: PD-2025-045

SUBJECT: Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act - 5, 7, and 9 Tweedle Street (Glen Williams)

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Report No. PD-2025-045, dated July 21, 2025 and titled “Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act - 5, 7, and 9 Tweedle Street (Glen Williams)” be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council state its intention to designate the individual properties at 5, 7, and 9 Tweedle Street, Glen Williams, Town of Halton Hills, known as The Three Sisters, legally described as “PT LT 21, CON 10 ESQ; AKA; PT LT 15, PL GLEN WILLIAMS, PART 5 & 6, 20R5698, E OF TWEEDLE ST; AKA; LT 31, RCP 1556; S/T & T/W 175372; HALTON HILLS/ESQUESING” (5 Tweedle Street); “LT 30, RCP 1556, T/W & S/T 175372; HALTON HILLS” (7 Tweedle Street); and “LT 29, RCP 1556, BEING PT 2, PL 20R5698. T/W & S/T 175372; HALTON HILLS” (9 Tweedle Street); 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 properties at 5, 7, and 9 Tweedle Street, Glen Williams, Town of Halton Hills be brought forward to Council for adoption.

KEY POINTS:

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

- Staff have undertaken a Research & Evaluation Report for the properties in accordance with the Town’s Council-approved Heritage Register Prioritization

Strategy to respond to changes to the *Ontario Heritage Act* through *Bill 23, More Homes, Built Faster Act, 2022*, with further amendments made through *Bill 200, the Homeowner Protection Act*,

- The subject properties meet 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 properties.
- This report is identified as requiring immediate action due to legislated timelines for Notices of Intention to Designate under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION:

The subject properties are located on the east side of Tweedle Street in the community of Glen Williams within the Town of Halton Hills. The properties are rectangular lots and each feature a two-storey wood frame residential building. The properties were listed on the Town's Heritage Register during Phase 1 of the Town's Heritage Register process (2010) and were identified as workers housing associated with the mill industry in Glen Williams.

The properties at 5, 7, and 9 Tweedle Street have 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.

On October 30, 2024, the owners of all three properties were mailed a designation information package with covering letters from staff, identifying that this work was underway. Staff mailed an additional notice on June 5, 2025, advising the owners that the Research and Evaluation Report for the subject property would be reviewed at the June 18, 2025, meeting of Heritage Halton Hills.

Heritage Halton Hills reviewed the Research & Evaluation Report for the subject property at the June 18, 2025, meeting and the following motion was carried:

Recommendation No. HHH-2025-0039

THAT Heritage Halton Hills recommend Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the properties at 5, 7, and 9 Tweedle Street for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

The properties have been identified as representative examples of vernacular workers' housing with Gothic Revival influences in the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills. The two-storey residential buildings feature elements typical of this architectural style, including the steeply pitched roofs, decorative wooden bargeboard, bay windows, and intricate wooden detailing. The properties have historical and

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. On June 6, 2024, Bill 200 (the *Homeowner Protection Act*) received Royal Assent, extending the 2-year timeline prescribed by Bill 23, giving municipalities, including the Town of Halton Hills, until January 1, 2027, to either issue a NOID for a listed property or to remove it from the Heritage Register.

associative value due to their associations with the prominent Hill family, and the woollen mill industry in Glen Williams; being originally constructed as workers' housing in 1907 by the Sykes and Ainley Manufacturing Company Ltd. The properties served workers through several changes in the mill's ownership until its closure in the mid-twentieth century, including the Sykes and Ainley Manufacturing Company Ltd., the Glen Williams Woollen Mills, and later, Glen Textiles. These properties are important in defining and maintaining the early-nineteenth century residential settlement and industrial growth of Glen Williams, and remain physically, visually, and historically linked to their surroundings.

5 Tweedle Street

The heritage attributes of the property at 5 Tweedle Street that contribute to its physical and design value include:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the two-storey vernacular worker's cottage with Gothic Revival detailing along Tweedle Street in the community of Glen Williams;
- The scale, form, and massing of the existing building, including its gable roof;
- The materials, including stone foundation and wooden architectural and decorative elements throughout;
- The front elevation, including:
 - The tripartite bay window with shallow hipped roof;
 - Decorative wooden bargeboard on the gable end;
 - Scalloped "fish scale" wooden shakes beneath the gable end;
- The side (south) elevation, including:
 - Two flat-headed rectangular window openings; and,
 - The wooden veranda with Italianate motifs.

The identified heritage attribute of the property at 5 Tweedle Street that contributes to its historical and associative value includes:

- The legibility of the existing house as an early-twentieth century vernacular worker's cottage with Gothic Revival detailing along Tweedle Street within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 5 Tweedle Street that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The legibility of the existing house as an early-twentieth century vernacular worker's cottage with Gothic Revival detailing along Tweedle Street within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The setback, location, and orientation of the c.1907 residential building on the east side of Tweedle Street in the community of Glen Williams; and,
- The scale, form, and massing of the two-storey wood frame residential building.

7 Tweedle Street

The heritage attributes of the property at 7 Tweedle Street that contribute to its physical and design value include:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the two-storey vernacular worker's cottage with Gothic revival detailing along Tweedle Street in the community of Glen Williams;
- The scale, form, and massing of the existing building, including its gable roof;
- The materials, including stone foundation and wooden architectural and decorative elements throughout;
- The front elevation, including:
 - The tripartite bay window with shallow hipped roof;
 - Decorative wooden bargeboard on the gable end; and,
 - Scalloped "fish scale" wooden shakes beneath the gable end.

The identified heritage attribute of the property at 7 Tweedle Street that contributes to its historical and associative value includes:

- The legibility of the existing house as an early-twentieth century vernacular worker's cottage with Gothic Revival detailing along Tweedle Street within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 7 Tweedle Street that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The legibility of the existing house as an early-twentieth century vernacular worker's cottage with Gothic Revival detailing along Tweedle Street within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The setback, location, and orientation of the c.1907 residential building on the east side of Tweedle Street in the community of Glen Williams; and,
- The scale, form, and massing of the two-storey wood frame residential building.

9 Tweedle Street

The heritage attributes of the property at 9 Tweedle Street that contribute to its physical and design value include:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the two-storey vernacular worker's cottage with Gothic Revival detailing along Tweedle Street in the community of Glen Williams;
- The scale, form, and massing of the existing building, including its gable roof;
- The materials, including stone foundation and wooden architectural and decorative elements throughout;
 - The front elevation, including:

- The tripartite bay window with shallow hipped roof;
- Decorative wooden bargeboard on the gable end;
- Scalloped “fish scale” wooden shakes beneath the gable end;
- The side (south) elevation, including:
 - Two flat-headed rectangular window openings; and,
 - The wooden veranda with Italianate motifs.

The identified heritage attribute of the property at 9 Tweedle Street that contributes to its historical and associative value includes:

- The legibility of the existing house as an early-twentieth century vernacular worker’s cottage with Gothic Revival detailing along Tweedle Street within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 9 Tweedle Street that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The legibility of the existing house as an early-twentieth century vernacular worker’s cottage with Gothic Revival detailing along Tweedle Street within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The setback, location, and orientation of the c.1907 residential building on the east side of Tweedle Street in the community of Glen Williams; and,
- The scale, form, and massing of the two-storey wood frame residential building.

The rear elevations, rear additions, and interiors for the existing residential buildings at 5, 7, and 9 Tweedle Street have not been identified as part of this report.

Based on the identified cultural heritage value of the properties, and as each of these properties meets criteria for designation per Ontario Regulation 9/06 criteria, staff are recommending that Council designate the properties at 5, 7, and 9 Tweedle Street 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,

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John Linhardt, Commissioner of Planning & Development

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