



BY-LAW NO. 2025-0094

A By-law to designate the Ainley House, located at 28 Mountain Street, 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 located at 28 Mountain Street, Glen Williams, Town of Halton Hills, Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the Ainley 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 the Ainley House, located at 28 Mountain Street, Glen Williams, Town of Halton Hills, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to Designate the property and has caused Notice of Intention to Designate to be published on the Town's website per the Town's "Ontario Heritage Act – Alternate Notice Policy";

AND WHEREAS on October 6, 2025, Council for the Town of Halton Hills approved Report No. PD-2025-053, dated September 17, 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 Ainley House, located at 28 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 17th day of November, 2025.

MAYOR – ANN LAWLOR

TOWN CLERK – VALERIE PETRYNIAK

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 2025-0094

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

LT 22, PL GLEN WILLIAMS; PT LT 21, PL GLEN WILLIAMS, PT LTS 23 & 24, PL GLEN WILLIAMS, PART 1, 2, 20R5022; AKA; LT 7, RCP 1556; HALTON HILLS

PIN: 250110105

SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NO. 2025-0094

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Description of Property

The subject property is located at 28 Mountain Street in the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills. The existing residence is located on the northwest side of Mountain Street with the southeast elevation along Mountain Street identified as the primary elevation. The property features a long, paved driveway with the existing home set back from the right of way beyond soft landscaping. A rear detached garage and inground pool are in the rear side yard adjacent to the house. The property features several mature trees.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The Ainley House at 28 Mountain Street has significant physical and design value as a unique example of an interpretation of the Queen Anne Revival style within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills. Reflecting the wealth of its original owner, the home features architectural details consistent with the style including its asymmetrical façade, steeply-pitched and irregular roofline, front facing gables, overhanging eaves, unusual window openings, and detailed textures. The house features many details displaying a high degree of craftsmanship, including the decorative wooden porch over the main entrance on the front elevation with detailed woodwork and decorative brackets, providing shelter in front of the entrance with stained glass transom above. The Ainley House continues to be an excellent representative example of the Queen Anne Revival style in Glen Williams and a reminder of the milling industry that established this community.

The Ainley House and property at 28 Mountain Street are directly associated with the early milling industry in the community of Glen Williams. The Williams' Woollen Mills were sold to John Sykes and Norman Ainley in 1898, however the businesses remained connected to the Williams family through the wife of its general manager Harry Holdroyd, who was Joseph Williams' daughter. The company was a significant employer in the community and built worker's housing within the community to accommodate their employees. Their company would operate in the Glen under many names and different owners until the mid-1950s. In 1939, the Ainley House was purchased by Olive Logan. Logan was an active community member in the Glen, and was a member of the Glen Methodist Church, the Verdun Rebekah Lodge, the Business and Professional Women's Club, and the Bridge Club. Logan also worked in the office at Alliance Paper Mills, another link to the historic industries within the communities that make up the Town of Halton Hills.

The Ainley House has significant contextual value as it has remained extant within its original location along Mountain Street in the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills for over 135 years. The existing residence is physically, functionally, visually, and historically linked to its surroundings within the residential community and near the historic mills of Glen Williams along the Credit River. The house, while stately in form and unique in its architecture within the community, is set back from the right of way and has not been identified as a landmark in the community.

Heritage Attributes

The heritage attributes of the property at 28 Mountain Street that contribute to its physical and design value are identified as follows:

- 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-storey red brick building with cut stone foundation and asymmetrical roof with brick chimney;
- The materials, including red brick exterior, stone sills, brick detailing, and decorative wooden detailing throughout;

- The front (southeast) elevation, including:
 - o The central two-storey projecting bay, featuring segmentally arched window openings with brick hood moulds and stone sills;
 - o At the first storey:
 - The single door opening with transom window above;
 - The wooden porch on the west end of the front elevation with steeply-pitched roof and decorative wooden detailing and columns on a stone base;
 - Brick course that extends along the first storey below the window openings;
 - o Beneath the gable peak, the wooden scalloped shingles, flat-headed opening with decorative surround beneath the gable peak, and decorative woodwork above.
- The side (southwest) elevation, including:
 - o The segmentally arched window openings at the first and second storeys with brick hood moulds and brick courses, featuring stone sills;
- The side (northwest) elevation, including:
 - o The shed-roofed dormer with single window opening above the side addition;
 - o The one-storey brick bay to the rear with segmentally arched window openings with brick hood moulds and stone sills at the first storey;
 - o At the second storey, the segmentally arched window openings with brick hood moulds and stone sills;
 - o The flatheaded window opening beneath the gable peak.

The heritage attribute of the property at 28 Mountain Street that contributes to its historical and associative value is identified as follows:

- The legibility of the property as a unique, late-nineteenth century example of a Queen Anne Revival residential building within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills.

The heritage attributes of the property at 28 Mountain Street that contribute to its contextual value are identified as follows:

- The legibility of the property as a unique, late-nineteenth century example of a Queen Anne Revival residential building within the community of Glen Williams in the Town of Halton Hills;
- 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 two-storey red brick building with cut stone foundation and asymmetrical roof with brick chimney.

The interiors, rear elevation, rear one-storey addition, one-storey accessory structure, and sunroom addition on the northeast elevation have not been identified as heritage attributes of the property.