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## **Notice of Passing of Designation By-law – 4556 Sideroad 20 N, Puslinch**

### **NOTICE OF PASSING OF DESIGNATION BY-LAW 008-2025**

TAKE NOTICE that Council for the Township of Puslinch passed Designation By-law 008-2025 on January 22, 2025, which designates the lands, buildings and structures located at Concession 3 Part Lot 20 RP;61R3352 Parts 2 and 3 Part; Part 1, Township of Puslinch, known municipally as 4556 Sideroad 20 N, Puslinch, under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18, as amended, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest.

#### **IF YOU WISH TO APPEAL TO THE ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL:**

Take notice that an appeal of the Designation by-law for the Property by those persons permitted to appeal under section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act may be made by filing a notice of appeal with the Municipal Clerk, Township of Puslinch 7404 Wellington Road 34, Puslinch, Ontario, N0B 2J0; Email: [admin@puslinch.ca](mailto:admin@puslinch.ca) within thirty days of January 27, 2025, which is February 26, 2025.

#### **A Notice of Appeal must:**

- (1) set out the reasons for the objection to the designation by-law; and
- (2) set out the reasons in support of the objection to the designation by-law.

If you wish to appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT), forms are available from the Ontario Land Tribunal website at <https://olt.gov.on.ca>

#### **Who Can File An Appeal:**

Any persons who objected to the designation by-law may refer the matter to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

#### **Getting Additional Information:**

A copy of the by-law and background information about the designation is available for public inspection by contacting the Administration Department at [admin@puslinch.ca](mailto:admin@puslinch.ca).

Schedule "A"  
To  
By-law Number 008-2025  
  
4556 Sideroad 20 North,  
Puslinch

PIN: 71200-0291

Legal Description: PART OF LOT 20, CONCESSION 3 PUSLINCH, DESIGNATED AS PARTS  
1, 2 AND 3, PLAN 61R3352 EXCEPT PART 1, PLAN 61R5759 & PART 1, PLAN 61R8450 &

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH

BY-LAW NUMBER 008-2025

Being a by-law to authorize the designation of real property located at 4556 Sideroad 20 North, Puslinch, as the property of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18

**WHEREAS** the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18* authorizes a municipality to designate a property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest if the property meets the prescribed criteria and the designation is made in accordance with the process set out in the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18*;

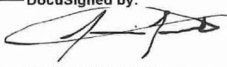
**AND WHEREAS** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch, in consultation with the Puslinch Heritage Advisory Committee, deems 4556 Sideroad 20 North, Puslinch to be of cultural heritage value and interest in accordance with the prescribed criteria by the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch did give notice of its intention to designate the property mentioned in section 1 of this by-law in accordance with subsection 29(3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18*;

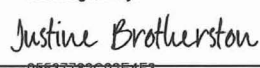
**NOW THEREFORE** the Corporation of the Township of Puslinch hereby enacts as follows:

1. That the property located at 4556 Sideroad 20 North, Puslinch, and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, is hereby designated as property of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act, 1990, c. O. 18*.
2. That the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed,
  - a. to cause a copy of this by-law, together with reasons for the designation, to be served on the subject property owner and The Ontario Heritage Trust by personal service or by registered mail;
  - b. to publish a notice of this by-law once in a newspaper having general circulation in the Township of Puslinch.
3. That the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this bylaw, together with the statement of cultural heritage value or interest and description of heritage attributes set out in Schedule "B" hereto annexed and forming part of this bylaw, to be registered against the property affected in the proper land registry office.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2025.

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James Seeley, Mayor

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Justine Brotherston, Interim Municipal Clerk

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Schedule "B"  
To  
By-law Number 008-2025

4556 Sideroad 20 North,  
Puslinch

**STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST AND DESCRIPTION OF  
HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES**

The property located at 4556 Sideroad 20 North, Puslinch meets the requirements for designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the three categories of design/physical value, historical/associative value, and contextual value.

The property located at 4556 Sideroad 20 North, Puslinch, retains significant cultural heritage design value due to its architectural rarity: it is one of the few remaining log houses in the Township. The property is historically associated with the McLennan Family and Highland Scots immigration to Puslinch and contextually associated with adjacent McLennan/McKay properties.

*Design Value:*

Log cabins and log house residences were the predominant residential architecture in Puslinch Township from the earliest European settlement in the 1820s until the latter part of the nineteenth century. Their design illustrates the function of environment, technology and community effort on vernacular architecture in the settlement period. Despite their ubiquitousness in the mid-1800s, very few of these architectural forms have survived. The property at 4556 is a rare example of a large, two-storey side-gabled house constructed c. 1840-1845 of horizontal cedar logs laid with dovetailed corners and plaster chinking. The fenestrations for windows and doors were cut in after the house was assembled. These original extant fenestrations include seven windows, one on each side of the original south-facing central entrance, two on each side of the end-gabled upper storey and one at the rear (north side) of the house. Three door fenestrations include one on the south side, one on the east side and one on the north side. Recent improvements using traditional craftsmanship include rebuilding of a portion of the stone foundation, repair of the plaster chinking, and roofing.

*Historical /Associative Value:*

Margaret McLennan (1783-1871), immigrated to Canada in 1841 as a widow with her grown family after being evicted from lands in Loch Broom, Ross-Shire, Scotland. Her daughter Catherine was married to Alexander McKay, also of Loch Broom, Ross-Shire and they had immigrated and settled on lots 18 and 19, Front Concession 3 the in 1840. It is likely that Alexander McKay had the log house built on Lot 20 for Margaret's family. Her son Donald McLennan settled Rear Concession 3, Lot 21 and became a profitable farmer.

*Contextual Value:*

The property is adjacent to other properties of significant cultural heritage value built by the McLennan/McKay families and forms part of a built landscape containing numerous other Highland Scots settler residences.

**Description of Heritage Attributes**

The following are to be considered as heritage attributes to be protected by a heritage designation by-law for 4556 Sideroad 20 North.

**Margaret McLennan House:**

- Original/extant door fenestrations.
- Original window fenestrations.
- Original foundation with reconstructive repair in 2023/2024
- Logs used in the exterior wall construction.
- Height, scale, and massing of two storey log residence.

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