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The Corporation of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne

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November 24, 1984

REGISTERED MAIL

Ontario Heritage Foundation
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Dear Sirs:

Re: Stone Bridge - Lyndhurst - Leeds County

Pursuant to The Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337, Section 29
(3) (b), we hereby serve, by registered mail, Notice of Intention to
Designate.

Yours truly,

Alexia M. Landon

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Notice of Intention
to Designate)



IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1980, CHAPTER 337

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESS IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne intends to designate the following municipal address as a property of architectural and historical value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337.

(a) Municipal Address: County of Leeds,

Township of Lansdowne, Concession 10, Part of Lot 3 being the bridge on Leeds & Grenville County Road No. 2 crossing Lyndhurst Creek above the dam separating the Upper and Lower Mill Pond, more specifically shown as Part of Charles Street on Plan 38 for the Village of Lyndhurst said bridge being known generally as the Lyndhurst Bridge.

Reasons for the Proposed Designation: The Lyndhurst Bridge over the Gananoque River was built in 1856-57 and is therefore the oldest bridge in Ontario. It was designed by John Donald Roddick who was born in Scotland and came to Lyndhurst about 1853. It is reminiscent of older bridges that are still preserved in Scotland. Architecturally it is composed of three slightly flattened Roman arches of equal height and width but spaced unevenly to take advantage of a rock island in the stream. The side walls are built of local sandstone, laid randomly, and interrupted only by the pattern of the voussoirs and the cap on the parapet. The vaults of two of the arches pass under the roadway at an angle to the long axis of the bridge. At both ends the walls curve out into a wide flare, and terminate in round pillars. The buildings on both sides of the river were built in respect to the alignment, length, width and height of the bridge. Historically, it was the focal point of the larger community in the days when five mills operated at the foot of the falls. The arches of the bridge divided the water between the joint owners of the water rights, one of whom was John Roddick. The mill stones from Henry Green's mill are preserved as caps on the pillars at the east approach. The bridge is still the focal point of the community.

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Any person may, within thirty days of the first publication of this Notice, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

, DATED at the Township of Rear of
Leeds and Lansdowne, this 24th day of November, 1984.

Alexia M. Landon, A.M.C.T.
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