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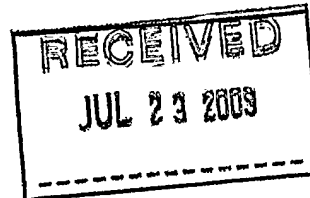


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**RE: DESIGNATION OF 2115 WILTON GROVE ROAD  
THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18**

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Enclosed for your information is notice of the Council of The Corporation of the City of London's intention to designate the property identified above pursuant to Section 29(3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18.

Linda Rowe  
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c. Don Menard, Heritage Planner

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June 30, 2009



I hereby certify that the Municipal Council, at its session held on June 29, 2009 resolved:

17. That the following actions be taken with respect to the demolition application by Bruynland Farm Inc. relating to a farmhouse on the property located at 2115 Wilton Grove Road:

- (a) the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to work with the owner of the subject property with respect to the possible severance of the site where the farmhouse is located from the surrounding parcel;
- (b) should the above noted discussions with the property owner not result in agreement with respect to the severance of the site by July 20, 2009, notice of the Municipal Council's intention to designate the property located at 2115 Wilton Grove Road to be of cultural heritage value or interest **BE GIVEN** for the attached reasons under the provisions of subsection 29(3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.O.18*; it being noted the London Advisory Committee on Heritage has concurred with the reasons prepared; and
- (c) the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to provide concerns raised by the applicant with respect to the adjacent farm operation located at 3700 Old Victoria Road to the Ministry of the Environment for their review;

it being pointed out that at the public participation meeting associated with this matter, the following individual made an oral submission in connection therewith:

- [Redacted] owner of the property, and indicating the demolition of the building is being requested in order to restore the land to agricultural use; noting that they have concerns with respect to the severance of the property given the likelihood of well contamination from practices by the adjacent farm operation located at 3700 Old Victoria Road which have not been rectified to date, and which are adversely affecting the residence on the property; further noting there are concerns with respect to the extensive costs that would be involved in restoring the home to a liveable state, but that they would be agreeable to salvaging as many of the heritage features of the structure as possible. (2009-D10-00) (17/16/PC)

L. M. Rowe  
Acting City Clerk  
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## Value Statement for 2115 Wilton Grove Road

(Drafted June 2009)

### Description of Property

The house at 2115 Wilton Grove Road was built on the north part of Lot 5, Concession 3 in the former Westminster Township, now in the City of London. The north part of Lot 5 has merged with the north part of Lot 4

### Statement of Cultural Heritage Interest

2115 Wilton Grove Road is recommended for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as a building of cultural heritage value. This house is a classic Ontario Farmhouse, one-and-a-half storey in London white brick with some Gothic Revival influences. It is reportedly one of five or six houses in the area built to similar floor plans in similar styles. The other houses that remain are not within the City of London limits.

The house was built c.1852 for James Blair, a second-generation Scottish immigrant farmer who purchased the half lot from the Canada Land Company in 1850 to establish and operate a farm. James Blair died in 1896 and was interred in the Pioneer Cemetery at Pond Mills. The house and farm was held in the Blair family ownership until some time after 1904.

### Description of Heritage Attributes

The house exhibits many attributes of the Ontario Farmhouse, such as:

- the three-bay front facade with a small central gable over the front door encompassing a small Gothic-arched window
- symmetrical end facades with two windows on each level, aligned over one another
- a rear "tail" addition including the kitchen

Architectural details worthy of note include:

- the front door opening including the solid wood door, slightly recessed, with narrow coloured glass sidelights and transom
- windows are double-hung sashes with 6 over 6 panes throughout
- shallow-arched brick voussoirs over each window and the front door
- much of the original interior wood trim, stained and varnished appears to be intact