



BY-LAW NO. 2024-0112

A By-law to designate the Koyle-McCumber House, located at 12 Chapel Street, Georgetown, 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 at 12 Chapel Street, Georgetown, Town of Halton Hills, Regional Municipality of Halton, legally described as "LT 33, PL 32, AKA MORRIS KENNEDY'S SURVEY, S OF MORRIS ST, EXCEPT 805134; HALTON HILLS", and known as the Koyle-McCumber 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 Koyle-McCumber House, located at 12 Chapel Street, Georgetown, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to Designate the property and has caused Notice of Intention to be published on the Town's website per the Town's "Ontario Heritage Act – Alternate Notice Policy";

AND WHEREAS the Reasons for Designation are set out in Schedule "B" of this by-law;

AND WHEREAS on October 7, 2024, Council for the Town of Halton Hills approved Report No. PD-2024-065, dated September 19, 2024, in which certain recommendations were made relating to the designation of the property at 12 Chapel Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT the Koyle-McCumber House, located at 12 Chapel 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 9th day of December, 2024.

Originally Signed By:

MAYOR – ANN LAWLOR

Originally Signed By:

TOWN CLERK – VALERIE PETRYNIAK

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 2024-0112

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

LT 33, PL 32, AKA MORRIS KENNEDY'S SURVEY, S OF MORRIS ST, EXCEPT
805134; HALTON HILLS

PIN: 250390227

SCHEDULE “B” TO BY-LAW NO. 2024-0112

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Description of Property

The subject property is a rectangular parcel located along the east side of Chapel Street and the south side of Morris Street in the community of Georgetown in the Town of Halton Hills, Ontario. The property contains a one-and-a-half storey frame building with a cross-gable roof and rear addition, with a rear detached garage accessed from Morris Street. The property is legally described as “LT 33, PL 32, AKA MORRIS KENNEDY’S SURVEY, S OF MORRIS ST, EXCEPT 805134; HALTON HILLS”.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The Koyle-McCumber House at 12 Chapel Street has physical and design value as a representative example of a vernacular Gothic Revival, or Ontario Cottage, residential building within the community of Georgetown in the Town of Halton Hills. Built circa 1850, this frame residence is one of the earliest remaining examples of pre-Confederation residential architecture in the community. The existing building reflects the scale, form, and massing of a one-and-a-half storey Gothic Cottage with central gable with central entrance, window beneath the gable and symmetrically placed windows on either side of the entrance. This modest home has been clad with aluminum siding and some window openings have been altered, however opportunities for restoration of key original features remain.

The property has significant historical and associative value due to its early owners and connections with the Methodist church community in Georgetown. The existing residence was built for Reverend Ephraim L. Koyle by the early Episcopal Methodist Church, a minister who went on to serve many different congregations throughout the Province. Owned briefly by Trustees of the Methodist Church (now St. John’s United Church), the home was purchased by the Standish family in 1884. Margaret Standish and her sister Sarah Ellen Prentice lived in the home and were involved with the local church as well. Some of the home’s most prominent owners were Vernon and Kay McCumber. Kay was an executive member of the Georgetown Home & School Association, acted in local theatre with the Lion’s Club, and served as treasurer of the Georgetown Boys Band. Vernon, originally working at the Alliance Paper Mills, later became a Councillor and served as Secretary of the Boy Scout Committee. Like the home’s previous owners, the McCumber family were involved in the church community at St. John’s United Church.

The Koyle-McCumber House has contextual value as it is physically, functionally, visually and historically linked to its surroundings. The existing Gothic Cottage helps to define and maintain the late-nineteenth century and early-twentieth century development of this residential neighbourhood on the periphery of Georgetown’s historic downtown. The residence is physically, functionally, visually, and historically linked to the surroundings in the community along Chapel Street and to St. John’s United Church at Guelph Street and Chapel Street. The property is similar in scale and materials to the neighbouring properties and has not been identified as a landmark in the area.

Heritage Attributes

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 12 Chapel Street that contribute to its physical and design value include:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing building along Chapel Street in Georgetown;
- The scale, form, and massing of the existing one-and-a-half storey frame building with gable roof with central gable at the front elevation;
- The front (west) elevation, including the central entrance, single flatheaded window openings one either side at the first storey, and existence of a small window opening within the central gable peak;
- The side (north) elevation, including the gable peak and single flatheaded window at the upper storey, and the wooden enclosed sunporch at the first storey; and,
- The side (south) elevation, including the single flatheaded window openings at the first and second storeys.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 12 Chapel Street that contribute to its historical and associative value includes:

- The legibility of the existing property as a mid-nineteenth-century Gothic Revival Cottage in the community of Georgetown in the Town of Halton Hills.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 12 Chapel Street that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The legibility of the existing property as a mid-nineteenth-century Gothic Revival Cottage in the community of Georgetown in the Town of Halton Hills.
- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing building along Chapel Street in Georgetown;
- The scale, form, and massing of the existing one-and-a-half storey frame building with gable roof with central gable at the front elevation;

The interiors, rear elevation, and rear additions have not been identified as heritage attributes as part of this report.