

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

BY-LAW 25-032

Being a By-law to Designate the Property Known as 1370 Maple Grove Road, as Being of Cultural and Heritage Value or Interest Under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

WHEREAS section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge has caused to be served upon the owner of the property at 1370 Maple Grove Road, Cambridge, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, a Notice of Intention to Designate the property and has caused such Notice to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality;

AND FURTHER WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the municipality.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the City of Cambridge enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the property located at 1370 Maple Grove Road, Cambridge, and legally described in Schedule "A" attached hereto, is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*. The designation is limited to the exterior of the property, and no elements of the interior are included in this designation.
2. **AND THAT** the reasons for designation including a description of the cultural heritage value or interest of the property and a description of its heritage attributes, are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto and forming part of the By-law.
3. **AND THAT** the City of Cambridge is hereby authorized to serve a copy of this by-law to the owner of the property and the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Cambridge.

4. **AND FURTHER THAT** it is Acknowledged and Directed that the City Solicitor, or their designate, be authorized to register electronically any and all documents in connection with this transaction.

PASSED AND ENACTED this 23rd day of September, 2025.

MAYOR

ACTING CITY CLERK

SCHEDULE "A"

TO BY-LAW 25-062

of the

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Legal Description of the Property

PT LT 11 CON 1 BEASLEY'S LOWER BLK TWP OF WATERLOO PT 1 58R11534;
CAMBRIDGE

SCHEDULE "B"
TO BY-LAW 25-062
of the
CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Description of Property

The property is located at the northeast corner of Maple Grove Road and Speedsville Road. It contains a mid-19th century fieldstone schoolhouse known as Maple Grove Public School, originally constructed in 1850 with a significant addition completed in 1875.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The property at 1370 Maple Grove Road is of cultural heritage value for its design/physical, historical/associative, and contextual significance, as defined in Ontario Regulation 9/06 under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Design or Physical Value

Maple Grove Public School is a representative example of a mid-19th century rural vernacular schoolhouse. Constructed in 1850, it exhibits a simple rectangular form with fieldstone masonry, a gable roof, and restrained detailing typical of rural institutional buildings of the era. The 1875 addition, also in fieldstone, reflects community investment in expanding educational facilities. The school retains original wooden elements, including flooring and doorframes, and its interior plan demonstrates the functionality of one-room schoolhouse design.

Historical or Associative Value

The property is historically associated with the grassroots development of public education in Ontario. As one of the earliest schools in the region, it reflects the role of local communities in establishing educational infrastructure. It is linked to early educators and trustees such as Thomas Hilliard and J. Suddaby, who contributed to its establishment and operation. The property continued to serve educational purposes well into the 20th century, marking more than 170 years of educational and community use.

Contextual Value

Situated prominently at the rural intersection of Maple Grove Road and Speedsville Road, the property has long served as a landmark within the surrounding community. Its

location and continued function as a public school for much of its history make it a symbol of community cohesion and investment in civic life. The school remains a tangible representation of rural educational values and heritage within the City of Cambridge.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following heritage attributes support and embody the cultural heritage value or interest of the property at 1370 Maple Grove Road:

- The original 1850 fieldstone schoolhouse, including its rectangular form and modest institutional scale.
- The 1875 fieldstone addition, reflecting community expansion efforts.
- The fieldstone construction throughout, showcasing vernacular masonry techniques.
- The simple gable roof characteristic of rural schoolhouse design.
- The original wooden doorframes.
- The historic institutional layout, including its open instructional space.
- The property's prominent setting at the corner of Maple Grove Road and Speedsville Road, reinforcing its role as a rural community landmark

For more information on the Notice of Intention to Designate of the property, please contact Heritage staff at heritageinfo@cambridge.ca.

ANY PERSON MAY within thirty (30) days of the publication of this Notice, serve notice of their objection on the City Clerk in accordance with Section 29(5) and 67 of *the Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18. The notice must set out the reason(s) for the objection and all relevant facts, in accordance with the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Dated at Cambridge this 23rd day of September, 2025.