



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ERIN

BY-LAW 17 - 31

Being a By-law to designate Part Lot 17, Registrar's Compiled Plan 686 being Part 2, 61R-10256, Erin; and Part of original Road Allowance between Concessions 9 and 10 being Part 1, 61R-10256, Town of Erin, to be of cultural heritage value or interest.

Whereas on the advice of the Town of Erin Heritage Committee, Council at its meeting of April 18, 2017, has decided to designate the property attached hereto to be of cultural heritage value or interest as per the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18;

And whereas the provisions of Section 29, subsections (1), (2), (3), and (4) have been complied with and no objection has been received by the municipality;

Now therefore, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Erin hereby enacts as follows:

1. The lands and premises described as Part Lot 17, Registrar's Compiled Plan 686 being Part 2, 61R-10256, Erin; and Part of original Road Allowance between Concessions 9 and 10 being Part 1, 61R-10256, Town of Erin, in the County of Wellington, are hereby confirmed as being designated as property of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.
2. The reasons for designation are as follows:

Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Design or Physical Value

The Stanley Park Gates and Arch demonstrate a high degree of craftsmanship and are representative of early 20th century design and construction methods. The fieldstones used were carefully fitted together and the integrity of the structure was ensured by an application of tooled, V-joint mortar between the fieldstone. The fieldstones are arranged so that the different colours of the stones are evenly distributed across the gate structure while incorporating different sizes of stones. The style and material are particularly important in the context of the street. Similar style of masonry can be seen incorporated into homes along Main Street. The fieldstone material used for the gates also reflects the significance of this locally available material, procured from soils unique to the area.

Historical or Associative Value

The Stanley Park Gates and Arch were first constructed as the entrance to Stanley Park. As a result of the opening of the Credit Valley Railway in the 1880's, Stanley Park was established in anticipation of a flood of tourists from Toronto arriving by train. In the early 20th century, the park served as a popular destination for picnics and sporting events. After the First World War, the gates and arch were commissioned to greet visitors arriving by car, and were made wide enough for a car to fit through the entrance. The gates reflect the work of local stone and concrete masons, Harry Sanders and Charles Smith. The two were hired by the owner of the park to build the gates. Both were known in the Erin, Caledon and Eramosa areas for their work on barn and house foundations as well as house porches, culverts, bridges and sidewalks.

Contextual Value


The Stanley Park Gates and Arch serve as a landmark and are linked to the character and history of the community. The gates were constructed using local fieldstones which are in abundance around the town due to the rocky composition of the regional soils, influenced by the nearby drumlins and Niagara Escarpment. Further, the gates are significant for their positioning along Main Street as a landmark to visitors both from the past and present. The gates are a reminder of the original use of the lands

as a tourist site and are reflective of the masonry work found throughout the Town of Erin.

Description of Heritage Attributes to be protected

- Two walls
 - Two piers
 - Central wooden arch
 - Fieldstone on both the arch and gates
 - The location of the gates at the former entrance to Stanley Park
 - Construction method, including the V-joint mortar to hold the fieldstones
 - The uniformity of colours and size of fieldstone used
3. That the Clerk shall cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in this by-law in the property Land Registry Office.
4. This By-law shall come into force and take effect upon its final passing.

Passed in open Council on **June 20, 2017**.



Mayor, Allan Ails



Clerk, Dina Lundy