

Corporation of the Town of Newmarket

By-law 2025-44

A By-law to designate the property at 602 Pearson Street, the Jared Irwin House, as being of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act.

Whereas pursuant to Section 29, Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, the Council of a municipality is authorized to enact By-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest; and,

Whereas authority was granted by Council to designate the property at 602 Pearson Street as being of cultural heritage value or interest; and,

Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to Designate, and has caused such notice of intention to be published on the Town of Newmarket website for a period of 30 days in accordance with the municipality's Notice Policy addressing notice requirements under the Ontario Heritage Act; and,


Whereas no notice of objection to the Notice of Intention to Designate was served to the Town Clerk of the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket; and,

Whereas the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "A" to this By-law;

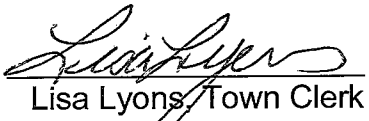
Therefore the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket enacts:

1. That the property at 602 Pearson Street, more particularly described in Schedule "B" to this By-law, is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest.
2. That Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" is declared to form part of this By-law.
3. That the Town Clerk is authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served on the owners of the lands described in Schedule "B" and on the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause notice of the passing of this By-law to be published on the Town of Newmarket website for a period of 30 days in accordance with the municipality's Notice Policy addressing notice requirements under the Ontario Heritage Act.
4. And that the Municipal Solicitor or designate is authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "B" to this By-law in the Land Registry Office.

Enacted and passed this 10th day of February, 2025.



John Taylor, Mayor



Lisa Lyons, Town Clerk

Schedule “A” to By-law 2025-44

Statement of Significance Reason for Designation

The Jared Irwin House
602 Pearson Street
Newmarket, ON
L3Y 1G3

Reason for Designation

The property at 602 Pearson Street, also known as the Jared Irwin House, is worthy of designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, 1990 for its cultural heritage value or interest, and meets Ontario Regulation 9/06, for design/physical value, historical/associative value and contextual value.

Description of Property

602 Pearson Street, the Jared Irwin House, is located on the south side of Pearson Street in the Town of Newmarket. The subject property contains a two storey brick building constructed between 1840 and 1853

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest/Statement of Significance

Physical/Design Value

602 Pearson Street is an early and representative example of building constructed in the Georgian architectural style. 602 Pearson Street was built between 1840 and 1853 and is among one of the early extant buildings in Newmarket. The two-storey, red brick building constructed in a Flemish bond follows a generally rectangular plan with a symmetrical three-bay façade topped by a simple side gable roof with overhanging porkchop return eaves, and single exterior brick chimney which is typical massing of a Georgian residence. Moreover, the box like massing includes rectangular window opening framed by a flat arch voussoirs housing replica eight-over-twelve windows, a formal rectangular entranceway opening topped by a rectangular transom and an open porch with turned posts which are addition elements of the Georgian style.

Historical/Associative Value

602 Pearson Street directly associated with Samuel Pearson and the Irwin family who were early settlers to Newmarket, and Pickering College. 602 Pearson Street was built between 1840 and 1853 by farmer Samuel Pearson. Samuel Pearson was born in Pennsylvania in 1797, and he arrived in Ontario with his family from Pennsylvania around 1802. Samuel and his wife Rache Webb Irwin were Quakers, and they purchased the subject lands in 1840 and built their residence and farm which was depicted on an 1853 map.

Samuel Pearson sold the subject property to his brother-in-law Jared Irwin in March 1855. Jared Irwin was born in 1803, in Pennsylvania. The Irwin family were also Quaker Loyalists, and Jared’s father Charles Irwin settled around the Newmarket area in 1810. Jared Irwin married Lydia Kennedy in 1827, and one of their children was the well-known portrait artist, Benoni Irwin. Prior to occupying the subject property, Jared Irwin was involved in the Rebellion of 1837, which resulted in his spending a short time incarcerated for his participation in the Reformist uprising. Later in his life, Jared Irwin served as one of Newmarket’s Overseer of Highways, a minor municipal position. Jared Irwin sold the property to his son, Edwin Irwin, in 1864, although Edwin sold it

outside the Irwin family around a decade later, in 1875. In 1933, 602 Pearson Street and the surrounding lands associated with the Pearson and Irwin farmstead was sold to Pickering College. Over the years, the subject property was occupied by Pickering College teachers and staff, as well as farm workers. For example, upon his retirement, Harry Beer, who served as the headmaster of Pickering College from 1953 until 1978, took up residence on the subject property with his wife, Elizabeth.

Contextual Value

602 Pearson Street is physically and historically linked to its surroundings. Pearson Street was originally the laneway from Prospect Street to gain access to the Pearson farmhouse. The street orientation and the farmhouse orientation reflect the original layout and configuration of the laneway. In keeping with the historical configuration, 602 Pearson Street is the only building on this streetscape which is oriented towards Prospect Street. 602 Pearson Street is historically linked to its surroundings, specifically Pickering College. The original Pearson/Irwin farmland is now the location of Pickering College. The building at 602 Pearson Street was also historically used by Pickering College to house teachers, staff, and farm workers.

Cultural Heritage Attributes

602 Pearson Street is an early and representative example of building constructed in the Georgian architectural style. The subject property contains the following heritage attributes that reflect this value:

- Two-storey building constructed in the Georgian architecture style
- Rectangular plan
- Brick construction laid in Flemish bond
- Side gable roof with porkchop return eaves
- Rhythmically placed rectangular window openings with brick voussoirs
- Symmetrical three-bay façade
- Centrally placed rectangular entryway with rectangular transom

602 Pearson Street is directly associated with Samuel Pearson and the Irwin family who were early settlers to Newmarket, and Pickering College. The subject property contains the following heritage attributes that reflect this value:

- Two-storey building constructed in the Georgian architecture style
- Overall massing, setback, and orientation
- Location on Pearson Street, near Pickering College

602 Pearson Street is physically and historically linked to its surroundings. The subject property contains the following heritage attributes that reflect this value:

- Two-storey building constructed in the Georgian architecture style
- Overall massing, setback, and orientation
- Orientation towards Prospect Street

Schedule "B" to By-law 2025-44

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PCL 105-1 SEC C81; PT LT 105 PL 81 PT 1 65R17887; NEWMARKET

Property Identification Number: 03613-1089 (LT)