



## Staff Report

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**Report To:** Dan Best, Chief Administrative Officer  
**From:** **Rebekah Msuya-Collison, Municipal Clerk**  
**Date:** September 4 2018  
**Report:** 23 -2018  
**Subject:** Heritage Designation – 296 William Street - Update

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### **Recommendations:**

**That** the report of R. Msuya-Collison regarding the status of the Heritage Designation process for 296 William Street, Exeter be received for information.

### **Purpose:**

Council background and information.

### **Background and Analysis:**

South Huron Council passed motion #225-2018 at the May 7, 2018 Regular Council meeting to give notice of intention to proceed with designating 296 William Street, Exeter Ontario as a heritage property under the Ontario Heritage Act. Notice of Intention to Designate the Former Hooper House as a property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest dated June 18, 2018 was served in accordance with Section 26 of the Ontario Heritage Act to the Ontario Heritage Trust and the owner of the property. In addition, the Notice of Intention to Designate was published in the Exeter Lakeshore Times- Advance the week of June 27, 2018 and published on the South Huron website on June 18, 2018.

No objections were filed with the municipality within 30 days after the date of the publication of notice in the newspaper. If Council decides to proceed with designation, it may then pass a Designation By-law. After designation, the By-Law, with the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and

the Description of Heritage Attributes is registered on the title of the property.

Under Section 27 of the Ontario Heritage Act, designated property must then be listed on the municipal register of property that is of cultural heritage value or interest and listed on the provincial register with the Ontario Heritage Trust. The property also becomes eligible for nomination and listing on the Canadian Register.

### **Operational Considerations:**

If the owner of a designated property wishes to make alterations to the property that affect the property's heritage attributes, the owner must obtain written consent from Council. When a property owner submits an application for the proposed work, they may receive advice and guidance from municipal staff and/or the Heritage Advisory Committee.

Council makes the final decision on heritage permit applications unless this power has been delegated. If the owner of a designated property wishes to demolish or remove a building or structure, the owner must obtain written consent from Council.

### **South Huron's Strategic Plan:**

Section 6.2.2 of the Municipality of South Huron 2015- 2019 Strategic Plan identifies key priorities and strategic directions. The following elements are supported by the actions outlined in this report:

- ✓ Improved Recreation and Community Wellbeing
- ✓ Dedicated Economic Development Effort

### **Financial Impact:**

The cost of the newspaper ad and registration costs. There were no further financial implications as a result of the actions outlined in this report.

### **Legal Impact:**

An owner may appeal Council's decision to deny a permit or to consent to conditions required by Council for the permit to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal.

**Staffing Impact:**

There are no staffing implications as a result of the actions outlined in this report

**Policies/Legislation:**

Ontario Heritage Act

**Consultation:**

**Related Documents:**

Designation By-Law

Respectfully submitted,

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**Rebekah Msuya-Collison, Municipal Clerk**