Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Dunkerron Methodist Church c. 1883

The subject property has been researched and evaluated to determine its cultural heritage significance according to Ontario Regulation 9/06. This Regulation, defined in the *Ontario Heritage Act*, outlines several criteria for determining whether a property is of cultural heritage value or interest. For a property to be designated under section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act,* it must meet two or more of these criteria, which are outlined below. By using these criteria, staff can determine if the property's cultural heritage value or interest merits designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Description of Property

The property at 4324 Line 3 is located on the north side of Line 3. The property contains a Gothic Revival, 1883 place of worship. Due to its association with the early development of West Gwillimbury, it is known as the Dunkerron Methodist Church
Its legal address is: 4324 Line 3; South Part of Lot 1, Concession 3

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Design/ Physical Value

The Dunkerron Methodist Church has design and physical value as representative example of a Gothic Revival, 1883 property. The house was built around 1883 and has the following characteristics: Diocrhamatic Brickwork, Pointed Arch Windows and doors, Circular windows, Front entrance brick, Side shallow buttresses, Filedstone foundation and Half octagonal brick additiion in rear.

Historical/ Associative Value

The Dunkerron Methodist Church has historic/associative value for its direct association with the Dunkerron Methodist Church. The Church was an important center for the early Methodists of Bradford.

Contextual Value

The Dunkerron Methodist Church has contextual value because it defines and supports and maintains the character of historic West Gwillimbury and the hamlet of Dunkerron.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key heritage attributes of the Dunkerron Methodist Church that exemplify its heritage value as a Gothic Revival, 1883 place of worship as it relates to the property include:

- One storey all brick place of worship
- Pointed Arch (Lancet) window and door openings
- Diocrhamatic brickwork at roof, windows and belt course
- Circular window at front elevation
- Front entrance brick
- Side shallow buttresses
- Filedstone foundation
- Half octagonal brick walls in rear