



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE**

**BY-LAW NUMBER 2021-088**

A by-law to designate the Featherstone Parkette at 307 Ironside Drive as a property of cultural heritage value or interest.

**WHEREAS** pursuant to Section 29, Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, chapter O.18, the council of a municipality is authorized to enact by-laws to designate a 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 Town of Oakville, by resolution passed on March 8, 2021, has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises at:

307 Ironside Drive  
Oakville, ON

and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, notice of intention to designate the Featherstone Parkette at 307 Ironside Drive as a property of cultural heritage value or interest, and further, has caused the notice of intention to be published in the *Oakville Beaver*, being a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality;

**AND WHEREAS** no notice of objection to the proposed designation was served on the municipality by April 19, 2021, being the last date for filing an objection;

**COUNCIL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the following real property, more particularly described in Schedule "A", is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest, for the reasons set out in Schedule B:

Featherstone Parkette  
307 Ironside Drive

Town of Oakville  
The Regional Municipality of Halton

2. That the attached Schedules form part of the by-law.
3. And that the Town Solicitor be authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" at the Land Registry Office.

PASSED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021.

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MAYOR

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CLERK

SCHEDULE "A" TO  
BY-LAW 2021-088

In the Town of Oakville in the Regional Municipality of Halton, property description  
as follows:

Featherstone Parkette  
307 Ironside Drive  
BLOCK 303, PLAN 20M1198 TOWN OF OAKVILLE  
Town of Oakville, Regional Municipality of Halton

SCHEDULE “B” TO  
BY-LAW 2021-088

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Description of Property – Featherstone Parkette, 307 Ironside Drive

The Featherstone Parkette property is known municipally as 307 Ironside Drive. It is a town-owned park in north Oakville located on the north side of Ironside Drive, east of George Savage Avenue and north of North Park Boulevard. The property contains a shade structure constructed out of remnants of the historic Featherstone barn, previously located at 145 Burnhamthorpe Road West.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

*Design Value or Physical Value*

The Featherstone Park is considered to have cultural heritage value for the salvaged materials used in the construction of the shade structure. These materials are remnants of a representative example of a late 19th century bank barn. Originally located on the Featherstone family farm on the southern half of Lot 17, Concession 2 NDS, the barn was likely built in the late 19th century under John and Marion Featherstone’s ownership. The gable-roofed barn had a 3 bay by 3 bay plan with two circular hoists in the centre bay to provide a mechanism for lifting hay to the upper level. The framing was of sawn lumber, combined with hand-hewn timbers salvaged from earlier barns. The foundation walls were constructed of local lake stone and the walls were clad in painted vertical barn board. Typical of bank barns, the upper level contained an open space for straw and hay storage and a granary, and the lower level contained stables and pens for the livestock.

*Historical Value or Associative Value*

The salvaged materials in the shade structure are also considered to have historical and associative value because they are directly associated with the Featherstone family, a well-known farming family in Trafalgar Township. The Featherstones farmed the land on Lot 17 from 1844 until the early 21st century. In addition to farming the land, they set up a sawmill and cut and sold lumber on the property.

William Featherstone, who owned the farm from 1899 to 1934, served as Mayor of Oakville, local councillor and as Worshipful Master of the Oakville Masonic Lodge.

#### Description of Heritage Attributes

Key attributes of the property which embody the cultural heritage value of the Featherstone Parkette include the following attributes, as they relate to the shade structure:

- Stone used in the construction of the north wall; and
- Wood barnboard used in the construction of the roof.