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WATERDOWN VILLAGE

BUILT HERITAGE INVENTORY
WHAT IS THE BUILT HERITAGE INVENTORY PROCESS?
- A process to proactively review and update the City’s Heritage Inventory (formerly known as the Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest)
- The Inventory consists of over 6,700 listings City-wide
- The Waterdown Village Built Heritage Inventory project was the third phase of this updated inventory work and included:
  - Conducting updated field surveys and historical research on properties in Waterdown
  - Creating a comprehensive and consistent database of all built heritage resources
  - Conducting preliminary evaluations to determine the cultural heritage value or interest of each property

WHAT WERE THE OBJECTIVES OF THE WATERDOWN VILLAGE BUILT HERITAGE INVENTORY PROJECT?
- To determine what we have, and where is it located
- Identify candidates for:
  - Listing on the Municipal Heritage Register
  - Designation under the Ontario Heritage Act

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STUDY AREA AND EXISTING HERITAGE STATUS

Legend
- Mill Street Heritage Conservation District Boundary
- WVBHI Study Boundary
- Railways
- Escarpment

Heritage Properties
- Designated
- Registered
- Invented

Map 1
Existing Heritage Status

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STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS AT A GLANCE

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- Mill Street Heritage Conservation District Boundary
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Draft Recommendations
- Register Additions
- Designation Candidates

230 properties recommended for listing on the Municipal Heritage Register
11 properties identified as candidates for designation under the Ontario Heritage Act
HOW WERE THE PROPERTIES EVALUATED?

- Research was done to understand the origin, evolution and historic patterns that define Waterdown
- The heritage value of individual properties were evaluated and classified based on their contribution to the historic character of the village

HOW WERE THE PROPERTIES CLASSIFIED?

**SIGNIFICANT BUILT RESOURCE (SBR)**
A property with considerable historic, aesthetic and/or contextual value that is likely well known to citizens at a local, municipal or regional level

**CHARACTER-DEFINING RESOURCE (CDR)**
A property that strongly reinforces the historic context and clearly reflects a characteristic pattern of development or activity, property type or attribute of the area

**CHARACTER-SUPPORTING RESOURCE (CSR)**
A property that maintains or supports the historic context and can be related to a characteristic pattern of development or activity, property type or attribute of the area

**INVENTORIED PROPERTY (IP)**
A property that is not currently considered to contribute to the historic context, but could acquire value in the future, or has been heavily modified to the point that its heritage value may have been lost (could be confirmed through further research and detailed field investigation)

All properties identified as Significant Built Resources, Character-Defining Resources and Character-Supporting Resources are recommended for inclusion in the Register.

All properties identified as Significant Built Resources are candidates for potential designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*. 
Legend Classifications -

- WVBHI Study Boundary
- Mill Street Heritage Conservation District Boundary
- Railways
- Escarpment
- Significant Built Resources
- Character-Supporting Resources
- Inventoried Properties
- Character-Defining Resources

Classifications Summary

- SBRs: 30
- CDRs: 75
- CSRs: 232
- IPs: 478

Not To Scale

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CANDIDATES FOR DESIGNATION
To understand the origin, evolution and historic patterns that define Waterdown, research has been done to identify key milestones and themes that helped shape its settlement and village development.

Seven major eras in the village's history have been identified:

- 7,500 BCE – 1660s: Indigenous Presence
- 1660s – 1810s: Military Influence and Euro-Canadian Settlement
- 1820s – 1860s: Mill Development and Village Establishment
- 1870s – 1900s: Village Incorporation and Stability
- 1910s – 1940s: A Time of Unrest and Great Change
- 1950s – 1960s: Residential Intensification
- 1970s – 2010s: Development, Amalgamation and Identity

Want to learn more?
View a story map outlining the history of the Village of Waterdown at:

[www.map.hamilton.ca/waterdownhistory](http://www.map.hamilton.ca/waterdownhistory)
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**ERAS OF EURO-CANADIAN SETTLEMENT**

1820s to 1860s:
Mill Development and Village Establishment

1870s to 1900s:
Village Incorporation and Stability
1910s to 1940s:
A Time of Unrest and Great Change

1950s to 1960s:
Residential Intensification
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CHARACTER-DEFINING RESOURCES
19th-CENTURY COTTAGES (1840s-1890s)

Regency Cottage
Vernacular Ontario Cottage
Gothic Revival Cottage

FARM HOUSES (1870s-1890s)

Vernacular Farm Houses
Gothic Revival Farm House

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE INFLUENCES

Neo-Classical
Georgian
Romanesque Revival
Queen Anne Revival

EARLY-20th CENTURY HOUSE STYLES

Edwardian Classicism
Cottage Bungalow
Craftsman Bungalow
Vernacular Cottage
WARTIME AND POST-WAR COTTAGES

Vernacular Cottages
Cape Cod Style

RANCH (1940s-1960s)

Vernacular Ranch
Ranch Houses

MID-CENTURY STYLE INFLUENCES

Modernism
Mid-Century
Brutalism

LATE-20th CENTURY SUBURBAN AND CONTEMPORARY HOMES

Suburban Split-Level
Suburban Two-Storey
Contemporary Suburban