



## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ERIN

### By-Law #25 – 19

**Being a By-law to designate 21 Trafalgar Road, under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, as being of cultural heritage value or interest.**

**Whereas**, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act, 1990* (the "Act") authorizes the council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate a property to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

**And Whereas**, the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Erin (the "Council") has consulted with the Town of Erin Heritage Committee, with respect to the designation of the property as being of cultural heritage value or interest;

**And Whereas**, the Council has caused notice of its intention to designate the property to be given in accordance with subsection 29(3), 29(4) and 29(4.1) of the *Act*;

**And Whereas**, the statement of cultural heritage value or interest and description of the heritage attributes in respect of the property are set out in Schedule "A" to this by-law;

**And Whereas**, no notice of objection to the proposed designation of the property has been served on the Town Clerk for The Corporation of the Town of Erin.

**Now Therefore, the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Erin hereby enacts as follows:**

1. That the property at 21 Trafalgar Road (the "Property"), more particularly described in Schedule "B" to this by-law, is designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest for reasons set out in Schedule "A" to this by-law.
2. That a copy of this by-law be registered against the Property described in Schedule "B" to this by-law in the property Land Registry Office.
3. That a copy of this by-law be served upon the owner of the Property and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in the newspaper having general circulation to The Corporation of the Town of Erin as required by the *Ontario Heritage Act, 1990*.
4. And that this By-law shall come into force and take effect upon the day of its passing, subject to the applicable provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act, 1990*.

**Passed in open Council on February 27, 2025.**

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**Mayor, Michael Dehn**

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**Town Clerk, Nina Lecic**

## **Schedule "A" to By-law 25-19**

### **Description**

This property is located near the historic core of the Village of Hillsburgh. It consists of a two-storey place of worship built in a Gothic Revival architectural style which was constructed in 1888.

### **Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest**

21 Trafalgar Road is a representative example of a place of worship built in a Gothic Revival architectural style. The two-storey, symmetrically balanced red brick building follows a rectangular plan and gable roof and is legible as a place of worship. The dichromatic brick work, comprised of red and buff brick, is expressed on the unique chalice ornament under the front gable, quoins, window and door treatments and around the date stone which reads: "Baptist Church A.D. 1888". Noticeable Gothic Revival architectural design features are the tall lancet windows and large pointed arch doorway which create a vertical emphasis. Specifically, the pointed arch door opening includes a trefoil detail and window tracery, also carried through to the lancet windows on the façade and side elevations, and both the window and door surrounds are comprised of alternating red and buff brick decorative voussoirs that resemble hood moulds and are finished with stone sills.

21 Trafalgar Road is directly associated with the Baptist Church and congregation in Hillsburgh. The Baptist congregation in Hillsburgh was first organized around 1853 with George Henshaw serving as the clerk and Elder Picard as the first Reverend. 21 Trafalgar Road represents the location of the Baptist Church from 1862 until the present, however, accordingly to the date stone, the current building was constructed in 1888 and is believed to have incorporated the original frame structure. In 1891, a stone wall was constructed at the front of the property, along with handrails for the stairs and a carriage platform. The location and building have served the community of Hillsburgh as the Baptist Church for over 130 years.

21 Trafalgar Road is important in supporting the 19th century character of Trafalgar Road in the historic village of Hillsburgh. The streetscape is comprised of predominantly one and two-and-a-half storey residential and commercial buildings of primarily brick construction and with modest setbacks along the street. Furthermore, the stylistic similarities between several properties strengthens their contribution to the historic character of the atmosphere of the area including red brick construction with dichromatic brickwork, decorative woodwork. 21 Trafalgar Road contributes to the historic fabric of the streetscape and exhibits setback, massing and decorative details such as dichromatic brickwork consistent with the streetscape.

21 Trafalgar Road occupies a prominent space near the southern entrance to Hillsburgh's historic core. It is highly visible and legibility as a place of worship. The, located on a raised plateau and architectural details strengthen its prominence as a visual landmark and helps to demarcate the entrance to the historic core.

### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

21 Trafalgar Road is a representative example of a place of worship built in a Gothic Revival architectural style. The property contains the following heritage attributes that reflect this value:

- Two-storey Gothic Revival place of worship
- Rectangular plan with symmetrical facade
- Red brick coursed in a running bond with buff brick detailing
- Front gable roof
- Pointed arch door opening with a trefoil detail and window tracery
- Lancet windows openings with tracery and stone sills
- Dichromatic brickwork expressed in the chalice ornament, quoins, window and door treatments and a date stone which reads: "Baptist Church A.D. 1888".

21 Trafalgar Road has historical/associative value for its direct associated with the Baptist

Church and congregation in Hillsburgh. The property contains the following heritage attributes that reflect this value:

- Two-storey Gothic Revival place of worship
- Date stone which reads: "Baptist Church A.D. 1888"
- Stone retaining wall added in 1891

21 Trafalgar Road is important in supporting the 19th century character of Trafalgar Road in the historic village of Hillsburgh. The property contains the following heritage attributes that reflect this value:

- Two-storey Gothic Revival place of worship, including massing, setback, and decorative details

21 Trafalgar Road has contextual value because it is a landmark. The property contains the following heritage attributes that reflect this value:

- Two-storey Gothic Revival place of worship, including massing, setback and decorative details
- Location and visibility fronting Trafalgar Road

**Schedule "B" to By-law 25-19**

Legal Description

PT LT 8 PL 95 ERIN ABUTTING RDAL BTN CON 7 & 8; PT LT 13 W/S MARKET ST PL 95 ERIN  
PT 1, 61R7420; ERIN