



Georgina Heritage Advisory Committee

Purpose

The purpose of the **Georgina Heritage Advisory Committee** (“GHC”) is to provide information, advice and assistance to Council on heritage-related matters within the Town. More specifically, the GHC:

- (a) Reviews, advises and makes recommendations to Council relating to individual property designations (Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*), heritage conservation districts (Part V), including preparing and maintaining a list of properties, features, and areas worthy of monitoring for conservation;
- (b) Applies provincially established criteria to evaluate properties of cultural heritage value or interest in accordance with the Provincial Regulations.
- (c) Encourages and facilitates the retention of documentation that is of architectural and historical significance to the Town of Georgina
- (d) Undertakes outreach and consultation with owners of properties of Listed Properties on the Municipal Heritage Register to explore the advancement of designation under the Ontario Heritage Act
- (e) Reviews planning development applications, building permits and sign permits as they pertain to identified heritage resources in accordance with Provincial Regulations. Review and advise on municipal, provincial, and federal heritage legislation.
- (f) Undertake specific tasks and responsibilities as directed by Council



Legislative Framework Section 28(1) of the *Ontario Heritage Act* provides that a Municipality may establish a municipal heritage committee to assist council on matters relating to the Act and such other matters as the council may be by-law specify. Noteworthy is the appeal mechanism to the Ontario Land Tribunal available to property owners related to historical designation, pursuant to s. 29(11) of the Act.

The [Town's Official Plan](#) contains policies pertaining to the conservation, protection and enhancement of the Town's cultural heritage resources; see, for example, s. 2.2.2.9 and 8.8.

The Town's [Heritage Register](#) provides a detailed list of all registered properties.

Strategic Alignment

In addition to the Official Plan, the [Municipal Cultural Plan \(2012\)](#) referenced the value of built heritage, among other forms of heritage.

Resources

The Clerks Division provides Administrative Support that includes preparing Meeting Minutes and Agendas, coordinating the Meeting schedule, and managing the official records and documents. Subject Matter Expertise may be provided by Development Services.

Several resources are posted on the Town's [Georgina Heritage Committee](#) Webpage under "more information".

In addition, the Provincial Government has a number of online tools and resources, including:

- [The Ontario Heritage Trust](#)
- [The Ontario Historical Society](#)

Membership

This Committee has seven (7) Members made up of:

- Two (2) Council Members; and
- Five (5) Member's of the Public