

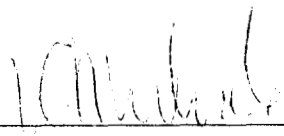
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE
BY-LAW 1991-76

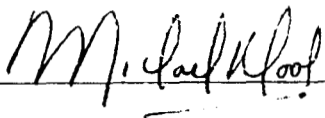
A by-law to designate 467 Chartwell Road
as a property of historical and
architectural significance

THE COUNCIL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The property municipally known as 467 Chartwell Road is hereby designated as a property of historical and architectural value and interest pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act for reasons set out in Schedule "A" to this By-law.
2. The property designated by this By-law is the property described in Schedule "B" attached to this By-law.

PASSED by the Council this 22nd day of April, 1991.


MAYOR


CLERK

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW 1991-76

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

The land on which the house at 467 Chartwell stands today was originally cleared by George Griggs who settled in the area in December, 1821. Although Griggs farmed this area, he did not live there. Instead, he built a house directly south of the property on the south side of the Lakeshore Road.

In 1849, Griggs sold the property to Justus Williams, a very significant figure in the history of Oakville. A Tory, and Loyalist who had come from Vermont and settled near Burlington Bay in 1819, and a man of strong Christian principles, Justus Wright Williams came to Oakville in 1831 and opened a store at 160-164 Lakeshore Road. From then until his death in 1875, his influence was pervasive in every area of community life. President of the Temperance Society for thirty-one years, he financed the building of the Temperance Hall. A devout Methodist, he provided funds to build the first Methodist Chapel. He was a school Trustee and Treasurer of the Board of Education, a Justice of the Peace who, in that capacity, swore in George Chisholm as the first Mayor of Oakville, and first Treasurer of the newly incorporated Town of Oakville. According to Hazel Chisholm Matthews in Oakville and the Sixteen, on the sudden death of William Chisholm in 1842, his place of leadership in village affairs was largely taken by Justus Wright Williams.

The property was owned by Justus Williams for twenty-six years and by his widow for a further fourteen. The Atlas of Halton County in 1877, two years after the death of Justus Williams shows a house where 467 Chartwell stands today surrounded by substantial orchards.

In 1889, the Williams family left Oakville for a farm in Kent County. The property on Chartwell Road was sold to Roderick McNeil, owner of the properties to the north and to the east. The McNeil family were known for their "specialty in growing small fruits", primarily strawberries.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

In 1890, Roderick McNeil gave ownership of all his lands to his son, Hugh George McNeil. Hugh George McNeil immediately began construction of the fine Victorian Home which stands at 467 Chartwell Road today. The door is a semi-elliptical transom panel and on either side are panels with flush lights. The neo-classical porticos at the front and rear with Doric columns and stone foundations may be later additions. Detailed brackets surround the cornice on the tower and large intricately detailed brackets project from the bay windows to the gables.

SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW 1991-76

ALL and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Oakville, Municipality of Halton and being more specifically Parcel 1-1, Section M-206, being Lot 1 on Plan M-206.

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