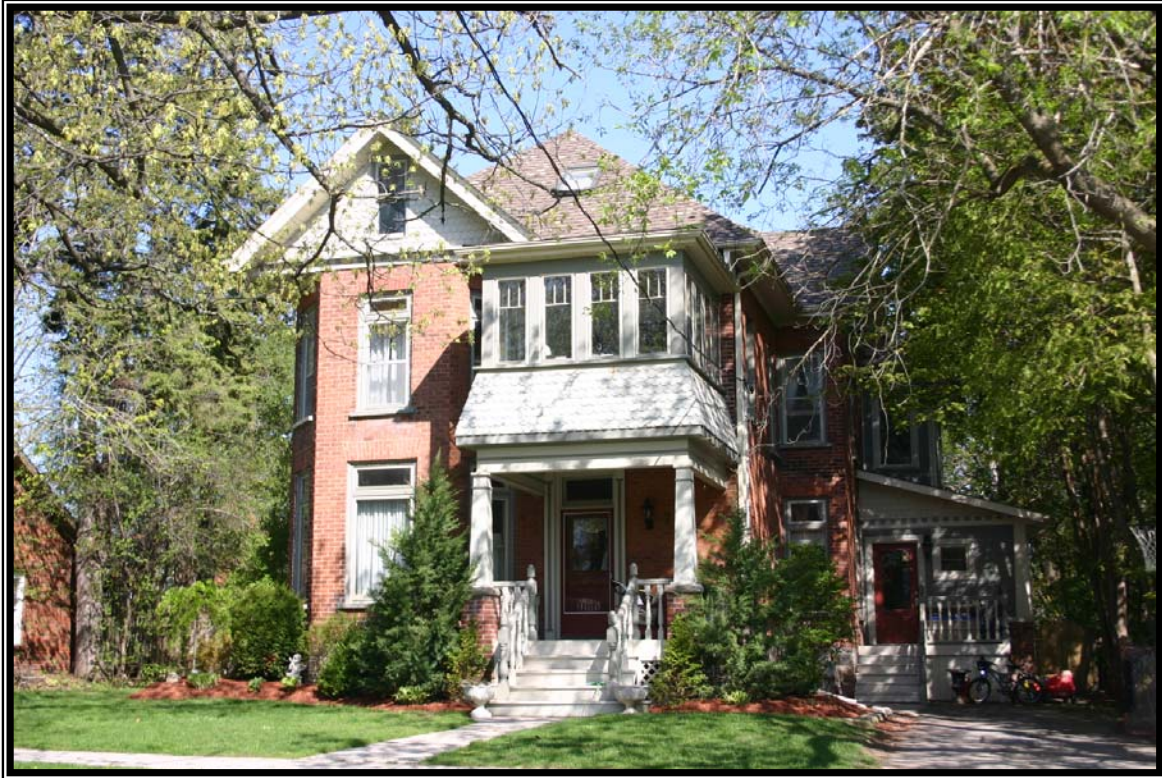


Heritage Designation Brief



The Smyth House

186 Aberdeen Avenue

Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

May 2009

HERITAGE DESIGNATION STATUS SHEET

Street Address: 186 Aberdeen Avenue

Roll Number: 050080131000000

PIN Number: 281170154

Short Legal Description: PLAN 101 LOT 26 AND PT OF LANE
0.17AC 70.00FR 106.00D

Owners' Mailing Address: 186 Aberdeen Avenue
Peterborough, ON K9H 4W8

Owners' Concurrence: Yes

PACAC Application Review Date:

On Site Evaluation Date: February 2008

Evaluation Category: B: (50)

Evaluators: Sue Schappert

Heritage Type: Built Structure

Designation Type: Ontario Heritage Act – Part IV

Designation Brief Completion Date: April 2009

PACAC Application Approval Date: May 2009

Designation Brief Completed by: Jennifer Patterson with research by
Sue Schappert

Submission Date:

Objections Noted: N/A

Comments:

"The short statement of the reason for the designation, including a description of the heritage attributes along with all other components of the Heritage Designation Report constitute the "Reasons for the Designation" required under the Ontario Heritage Act. The Heritage Designation Report is available for viewing in the City Clerk's office during regular business hours."

SHORT STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR HERITAGE DESIGNATION

Heritage Evaluation Criteria Note:

Category 'B': The properties in this category are of distinctive importance by virtue of architectural, historical, and environmental criteria, with integrity of design and construction. They stand out individually but are of lesser overall significance than "Category A" properties. "Category B" properties hold citywide importance.

Built in about 1894-95, the first owner of this house was Eliza Smyth, wife of James C. Smyth, a teacher at Central School.

186 Aberdeen, known as the Smyth House, was constructed on land formerly owned by Albert Edward Dixon and sold to Eliza Smyth in 1893. The architectural significance of this house lies in the overall preservation of its unique details, typical of the Edwardian style. Details include the front porch with pedimented columns, and a plain architrave and squared enclosed porch on the second storey with wooden fish scale details (also visible on the third storey gable peak). Original fenestration and millwork remains intact within large, simply adorned window surrounds.

ORIGINAL OWNER: Eliza Smyth

ARCHITECT: Unknown

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c. 1895

BUILDER: Unknown

CONTEXT- SITE AND SETTING:



Located in a residential neighbourhood, the Smyth House faces the street and is set among homes of similar age. Mature trees line the street. The Smyth House is larger than most homes on the street, which is located north of the downtown core in proximity to other streets with similar neighbourhoods. Located within

the 1875 City limits, this property was part of the original City of Peterborough.

SUMMARY OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES TO BE DESIGNATED

The Reasons for Designation include the following heritage attributes and apply to all elevations and the roof including all facades, entrances, windows, chimneys, and trim, together with construction materials of wood, brick, stone, plaster parging, metal and glazing, their related building techniques and landscape features:

- Red brick walls on stone foundation
- Fish scale shingles on gable peak and second storey enclosed porch/sunroom
- Front porch with pedimented columns which supports a plain architrave and squared enclosed porch on the second storey
- All fenestration
- Simple dentil details below fish scaling of third storey peak
- Portico, including:
 - Pediment
 - Ionic Columns
 - Stairs to main entrance
 - Main entrance and wooden front door

