

Meetings & Announcements

Town Council Meetings

Members of the public are invited to attend all Council, Committee and Board meetings. Meeting agendas and minutes are available at bradfordwestgwillimbury.civicweb.net

For further information or to apply to make a deputation, please call 905-775-5366 ext. 1104.

Council & Committee of the Whole

- Tue. Feb. 4 @ 7:00 p.m. – BWG Library
425 Holland St. W – Zima Room

Board/Committee Meetings

Downtown Revitalization Committee

- Wed. Feb. 5 @ 6:30 p.m. – BWG Library
425 Holland St. W – Zima Room

Heritage Committee

- Thu. Feb. 6 @ 6:30 p.m. – Engineering Office
305 Barrie St., Unit 2 – Boardroom

Coming up ...

- Feb. 13: Accessibility Advisory Committee, Holland Marsh Drainage Board
- Feb. 18: Council and Committee of the Whole
- Feb. 19: Healthy Communities Adv. Committee

Competitive Bids

View tenders and register as a bidder with the Town at townofbwg.bidsandtenders.ca

Proclamations

Black History Month – February

- activities will be taking place all month at the BWG Public Library & Cultural Centre

Employment Opportunities

Facility Operator

- Closes: Thu. Jan. 31

Aquatics Positions - Spring Session

- Wet Screening: Tue. Feb. 4

Insurance and Risk Coordinator

- Closes: Wed. Feb. 5

For details visit www.townofbwg.com/careers



Property owners in BWG will soon be receiving a property tax bill in the mail. Please note the following important dates:

Non-capped Property Classes

includes Residential, Farm, Managed Forest and Pipeline assessment tax classes:

- mailed: last week of January and last week of May
- installments due: Feb. 26, Apr. 28, Jun. 26, Sep. 28

Capped Property Classes

includes Commercial, Industrial, Multi-residential and mixed capped/non-capped assessment tax classes:

- mailed: last week of January and last week of July
- installments due: Feb. 26, Apr. 28, Aug. 27, Oct. 28

Payment Options

Please see the back of your tax bill for a list of accepted payment methods or visit our website at www.townofbwg.com/taxes

Failure to receive a tax bill does not excuse the property owner from the responsibility for payment, nor relieve them from liability of penalty for late payment.

Youth of BWG
we want to hear from you!

Calling all youth ages 13-19
Complete the Youth Survey
www.bwgleisurecentre.ca/youth

Events & Activities

FAMILY DAY 2020
MONDAY
FEBRUARY 17
8:00AM-4:00PM

Swimming
Gymnasium Activities
Fitness Classes

FREE Leisure Skating
9:40-11:20am
Sponsored by Royal Bank Financial Group

www.bwgleisurecentre.ca/FamilyDay

2020 Carrot Fest

Vendor Applications

APPLY NOW

www.carrotfest.ca

Notice of Intention to Designate

Pursuant to Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990 C. O.18, as amended

Fisher's Corner, S.S. #7 (circa 1877)

North Part of Lot 5, Concession 8, municipally known as 3769 Line 9, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, on October 15, 2019, resolved to give notice of intent to designate 3769 Line 9, under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, as it is of cultural heritage value and interest.

The Fisher's Corner S.S. #7 school house is located at the property municipally known as 3769 Line 9, Bradford West Gwillimbury (formerly Township of West Gwillimbury) and is a single story brick building built in the Gothic Revival style (circa 1877). The school was in use until the 1960's and it was converted into a single dwelling residence.

The Fisher's Corners S.S. #7 has cultural heritage value due to its architectural style and design, its historic associations and its contextual value in contributing to its immediate context. The site is associated with the development of the hamlet of Fisher's Corners as well as the development and ongoing evolution of Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury.

The Hamlet of Fisher's Corners, located at the intersection of Line 9 and Sideroad 5, was founded by four members of the Fisher Family – Edward, Tolbert, Thomas Albert and Thomas. As the Hamlet grew to also include a church, the new Hamlet also built a new school, originally built as a log cabin, in 1835. In 1875, more land was acquired by the trustees of Fisher's Corners School and in 1877, a brick school was built. It is said to be built of 28,000 bricks and cost \$965 to build. The building was heated by a one box stove until 1910 when a large wood burning furnace was added. Hydro was added to the school in 1947. The school ended its term in the 1960's, and the school was converted to a residence in the 1960s, which exists to this day.

The school has significant architectural value, and is an excellent example of vernacular school design. The exterior maintains almost all of its original details: including the general form and massing, dichromatic brick with eave and quoins, wooden lintels and the stone foundation. At the front of the building, on the top, sits a central bell tower. In addition, the front elevation features a central vestibule with the original wooden door, arched windows with dichromatic window surrounds and wooden double hung slashes and storm windows. On the east and west elevations, the structure features roof dormers with arched windows and the same windows on the front elevation. The building also features two brick chimneys on the east and west elevation.

The Fisher's Corner S.S. #7 contributes to its context as it is local landmark within the Hamlet of Fisher's Corner. Further it's historic and associative value as a local school house contributed to the history and development of West Gwillimbury, and therefor the Town Bradford West Gwillimbury

Any objection to this designation must be filed in writing within 30 days of the date of publication of the notice of intention, being no later than March 2, 2020.

Objections should be directed to:
Rebecca Murphy, Clerk, P.O. Box 100, Bradford, ON L3Z 2A7

Requests for additional information regarding the property and the designation process may be directed to: Thomas Dysart, Planner, 905-775-5366 ext. 1403, tdysart@townofbwg.com.

Notice of Intention to Designate

Pursuant to Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990 C. O.18, as amended

Gummerson-Thorpe House (circa 1860)

Part of Lot 24, Concession 7; Being Part 1 on Plan 51R-34092, municipally known as 3176 County Road 27, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, on August 6, 2019, resolved to give notice of intent to designate 3176 County Road 27, under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, as it is of cultural heritage value and interest.

The Gummerson-Thorpe House is a single detached residential dwelling located at 3176 County Road 27 in the hamlet of Bond Head within the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury. It is a 1 ½ storey brick Classical Revival building built in 1860 and in active use until 2018. The interior of the building would be excluded from the designation by-law.

The Gummerson-Thorpe House has cultural heritage value due to its architectural style and design, its historic associations and its contextual value in contributing to its immediate context. The site is associated with the development of the hamlet of Bond Head as well as the development and evolution of Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury.

The Gummerson-Thorpe House has significant architectural value as the original building is a wonderful example of a very early 1860 building in a rare classic revival style. The design is very pleasing and very well executed and the inclusion of the original windows, storm windows and doors is very unusual in Bradford West Gwillimbury. The early summer kitchen addition to the immediate south is sympathetic to the design and early evolution/function of the building. The building is constructed of dark red brick in Flemish bond pattern on the front façade, with English bond pattern elsewhere. The construction is two brick sandwiched around a central space filled with rubble and every tenth course with tie bricks. The brick design features a yellow brick detail pattern and embellishments on the string course, quoins and window and door headers. All building elements have medium slanted gable roofs. The original house has elegant molded wooden frieze beneath plain fascia and soffits with elegant cornice returns and features intact wooden six over six double hung windows with original storm windows. The window openings have flat topped rectangles and the windows on the second storey have plain wooden trim.

The original house is largely symmetrical with a central entrance and features an original wood paneled door, surrounded by sidelights and transom. The door features a carpenter rim look. The original home features 3 additions, the first of which was a summer kitchen to the south, and based on the age on the windows, may have been added around 1880-1910 and is sympathetic in design to that of the original house.

The original house is surrounded on all sides by a slightly raised veranda which is supported by decorative posts and spandrels; they do appear to be a recreation of what the original porch may have looked like and the age of the porch on site cannot be determined.

The Gummerson-Thorpe House has significant historical value as the home represents the common early agricultural basis of the hamlet of Bond Head. The property has some historic significance as being owned, built by and occupied by the Gummerson family for over 100 years. The land would stay in the Gummerson family up until 1941.

The Gummerson-Thorpe House contributes to its context as it is on a property which is on the top of a hill or drumlin immediately north of the hamlet of Bond Head, south of Line 8 and west of County Road 27. Although the house cannot be properly appreciated from the road it has occupied the top of the hill for over 100 years and is associated with marking the northern limit of Bond Head. The house has been and continues to be a recognizable property seen when traveling through north or south along County Road 27 through the hamlet of Bond Head.

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