

Statement of Cultural Heritage and Value

Ney House c. 1860

The subject property has been researched and evaluated to determine its cultural heritage significance according to Ontario Regulation 9/06. This Regulation, defined in the *Ontario Heritage Act*, outlines several criteria for determining whether a property is of cultural heritage value or interest. For a property to be designated under section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, it must meet two or more of these criteria, which are outlined below. By using these criteria, staff can determine if the property's cultural heritage value or interest merits designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Description of Property

The property at 3916 Line 9 is located on the north side of of Line 9. The property contains a circa. 1860's Classic Revival/ Ontario Vernacular one and a half storey all brick house. Due to its association with an early settler family of West Gwillimbury, it is known as the Ney House.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Design/ Physical Value

The Ney House has design and physical value as representative example of a classic revival/Ontario Vernacular farmhouse. The house was built around 1860 and has elements of both these styles which includes: one and half storey design with a high pitched gable roof with center front temple-pediment gable, symmetrical massing, red brick, and return eaves.

Historical/ Associative Value

The Ney House has historic/associative value for its direct association with the Ney Family. The Ney Family were an early settlers family in the Bradford/West Gwillimbury community. The family were active farmers, which contributed to the growth and development of the Town.

Contextual Value

The Ney House has contextual value because it defines and supports and maintains the character of the agrarian routes of the community.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key heritage attributes of the Ney House that exemplify its heritage value as a Classic Revival/ Ontario Vernacular house as it relates to the two storey residential building include:

- Medium pitch central gable
- Symmetrical three bay façade
- Central Entrance
- Brick Construction and Rubble Foundation
- Returned eaves and frieze