

CACP Stewardship Report Feb 2024

The Stewardship Sub-Committee met on Feb. 28th 2024.

Present: Maggie Whalley, Kerby Waud, Jeff Gard, Jim Cushing, Benjamin Vazquez and Matt Thompson, with Kyle Gonyou and Laura Dent (Heritage Planning staff) in attendance.

Designation 244 Baseline Rd

The Sub-Committee supported the Designation of this property, commenting that the historical and architectural history was extremely thorough but suggested that since the possible architect was not directly known that should not be listed in the criteria.

600 Sanatorium Rd (former CIPRI and Beck Sanatorium) CHER and CHERR

SSC received these reports which are extremely well-executed, thorough and detailed. This property on the edge of the Thames River and currently owned by IO, has seen many changes and developments over its almost 120 years on the site. Starting as a residential care institution for TB patients, it grew particularly during and after WW1, and became an almost self-sufficient community with its own farms, training and education programs. There were 2 churches on site. There were also important links to the medical research community in London and elsewhere. In the 1950s, after the impact of antibiotics and vaccination, its original purpose became obsolete and it was taken over by CIPRI.

The CHERR (which includes recommendations) assessed former studies and recommended that the property is of more than local importance. It listed 10 buildings that were culturally significant (these are mostly sited in the central quadrangle), and noted that the landscape, both designed, casual and natural, is also culturally significant. SSC noted that this is the last remaining site of 'residential medical care' in the province.