






Request for Designation 2442 Oxford Street West Kilworth United Church

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2442 Oxford Street West




- Kilworth Village
- Former Delaware Township
- Annexed 1993
- Surrounded by Komoka Provincial Park
- Listed on the Register

Property location of 2442 Oxford Street West




Kilworth United Church



- Built 1850-1851
- Methodist Episcopal Church
- Stone sanctuary
- Gothic Revival (1876 windows)
- Stone vestibule (1939)


Kilworth United Church prior to 1939. Source: Delaware Women's Institute, *Tweedsmuir History* Vol. 1, c.1947-1971 (Middlesex Centre Archives); B44.



Ontario Regulation 9/06


A property may be designated under section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* if it meets one or more of the following criteria for determining whether it is of cultural heritage value or interest:

- 1. Physical or design value:**
 - i. Is a rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method;
 - ii. Displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit; or,
 - iii. Demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.
- 2. Historical or associative value:**
 - i. Has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institution that is significant to a community;
 - ii. Yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture; or,
 - iii. Demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a community.
- 3. Contextual value:**
 - i. Is important in defining, maintaining or supporting the character of an area;
 - ii. Is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings; or,
 - iii. Is a landmark.



Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report

Kilworth Heritage Evaluation Report		Prepared By: Martha Sellens
Date: 2021-12-01, revised 2020-01-14		
Heritage Address: 1441 Oakdale St W, London, ON N6H 4G1	Resource Name: Kilworth United Church	
Date of Construction: 1880-1890	Designated Under: Kilworth Episcopal Methodist Church	
Legal Description: Lot 47 and part Lot 17, RCP 439, designated as Part 1, 1.1, 1.4, 1.5, 1.8B	1441 Oakdale St W, London, Ontario N6H 4G1	




Heritage Act, City of London Planning By-law 2016-02-16, s. 1(1)
City of London Designated Cultural Heritage Value is based on:

Physical Design Value	10	10
Historical/Associative Value	10	10
Contextual Value	10	10


A property may be designated under Section 10 of the Heritage Act only if it is worthy one or more of the above criteria. (Source: Heritage Act Regulations 2016)

- Martha Sellens, graduate student
- Historical research
- Evaluation using O. Reg. 9/06 criteria
- Presented to Kilworth United Church
- Comments and revisions




Cultural Heritage Value

- Physical or Design Values
 - Rare, early modest vernacular stone church with Gothic Revival stylistic elements
- Historical or Associative Values
 - Methodism and the United Church
 - Pioneer families
 - Kilworth
- Contextual Values
 - Defining, maintaining, and supporting the character of Kilworth
 - Landmark



Comparative Analysis



Heritage listed and designated properties in and near Kilworth

- Under-represented area in heritage listed and designated properties
- Second oldest church building in the City of London
- Rare stone building
- High degree of integrity



Heritage Attributes




1. Form, style, and message of the building, including its location on the property

2. Location of the building on the property


3. Stone construction of the building including granite field stones and limestone

4. Stained glass windows including eight pointed arch windows in the Sanctuary (three on east wall, three on west wall, two on north wall), and one pointed window on the north side above the main door


5. Simple gable roof with belfry and bell



Consultation



- Review by experts
- Two meetings with Kilworth United Church
- Letter of support
- Designation of stone church building



Recommendation

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Planning & City Planner, with the advice of the Heritage Planner, with respect to the request for designation of the heritage listed property at 2442 Oxford Street West (Kilworth United Church), that the following actions **BE TAKEN**:

- a) Notice **BE GIVEN** under the provisions of Section 29(3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O. 18, of Municipal Council's intention to designate the property to be of cultural heritage value or interest for the reasons outlined in Appendix D of this report; and,
- b) Should no appeals be received to Municipal Council's notice of intention to designate, a by-law to designate the property at 2442 Oxford Street West to be of cultural heritage value or interest for the reasons outlined in Appendix D of this report **BE INTRODUCED** at a future meeting of Municipal Council immediately following the end of the appeal period.

IT BEING NOTED that should an appeal to Municipal Council's notice of intention to designate be received, the City Clerk will refer the appeal to the Conservation Review Board.



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- Kilworth United Church

