Cultural Heritage Value or Interest Evaluation

Ontario Regulation 9/06 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* establishes the criteria for determining Cultural Heritage Value of Heritage Resources. A property must have the potential to meet at least two of the criteria to be considered to have heritage significance. These criteria fall into three categories: design or physical value, historical or associative value and contextual value. The following table considers and evaluates the subject property against these criteria.

Table 6: Evaluation of the Cultural Heritage Value of 1217 Fourth Line _Beaty House

The property has design value or physical value because it,			
	Criteria	Evaluation	
i	is a rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method	Yes, this house is a good example of a one-storey brick Italianate-style house with a low-hipped roof, protruding eaves, and a central gable	
li	displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit	Yes, this home has unique Flemish bond masonry with buff brick quoins and dichromatic string courses	
iii	demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement	No, the property does not demonstrate a high degree of technical or scientific achievement	
The property has historical value or associative value because it,			
i	has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institution that is significant to a community,	It is the historical home of John and Elizabeth Beaty, founders of the Christ Church in Omagh and pioneers in Trafalgar County	
ii	Yields or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture	Yes, it provides historical information on the settlement history of Trafalgar as shown in the 1877 Historical Atlas of Halton County.	
iii	demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a community	Yes, the subject property William Crawford Beaty, who served as the first postmaster (1853-1859) for the village of Omagh and was elected to be the Secretary- Treasurer of the Trafalgar Agricultural Society, Secretary of the County Agricultural Society	

		and member of the Trafalgar Council and Deputy Reeve. He is a significant contributor to the community.	
The property has contextual value because it,			
İ	is important in defining, maintaining or supporting the character of an area	Yes, this property is one of the last remaining farmhouses in Trafalgar.	
ii	visually or historically linked to its surroundings	Yes, this property continues to provide a visual and historical link and reminds the viewer of Trafalgar County's agricultural context.	
iii	is a landmark	No, the property is not a landmark.	

Based on the above criteria, the subject property has significant cultural heritage value based on both design and contextual criteria. These attributes are sufficient to warrant Heritage Designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*. However, designation may not be necessary at this time as the property is current listed on the Municipal Heritage Register, which offers it some protection from demolition.