

**Notice of Passing of a Heritage Designation By-law
by The Corporation of the City of Pickering**

Take Notice that the Council of The Corporation of The City of Pickering passed Heritage Designation By-law [8275/26](#) on June 22, 2026 under Section IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18*

The purpose and effect of the By-law is to designate the lands legally described as that Plan 65 Block D Lot 6 (the “Mansfield House”) and municipally known as 681 Pleasant Street, Pickering, as being cultural heritage value or interest.

And Take Notice that any person may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) in respect of the Heritage Designation By-law 8275/26 by filing a Notice of Appeal, no later than 4:30 pm on July 29, 2026. The filing of an appeal after 4:30 pm will be deemed to have been received the next business day.

A Notice of Appeal can be filed using the OLT e-File Service, along with any applicable appeal fees, by visiting olt.gov.on.ca/e-file-service/.

In the event the OLT e-File portal is not available, a Notice of Appeal may be submitted to:

Susan Cassel
City Clerk, City of Pickering
One The Esplanade
Pickering, ON L1V 6K7
clerks@pickering.ca

The Notice of Appeal must:

- be on the prescribed form as provided by the OLT;
- set out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection; and,
- be accompanied by the fees required by the OLT. If paying by certified cheque or money order, it must be payable to the “Minister of Finance, Province of Ontario”.

Additional information regarding the appeal process, including appeal forms and the required appeal fees is available at olt.gov.on.ca.

Further information regarding this matter may be obtained by contacting the City’s City Development Department at 905.420.4617 or toll free at 1.866.683.2760.

Dated at the City of Pickering this 29th day of June, 2026.

Susan Cassel
City Clerk, City of Pickering
One The Esplanade
Pickering, ON L1V 6K7

The Corporation of the City of Pickering

By-law No. 8275/26

Being a by-law designate the lands legally described as that Plan 65 Block D Lot 6 (the “Mansfield House”) and municipally known as 681 Pleasant Street, Pickering, as being cultural heritage value or interest.

Whereas the *Ontario Heritage Act* authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact a by-law to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest; and

Whereas on June, 22, 2026, Council endorsed the recommendations of its Heritage Advisory Committee to designate 681 Pleasant Street as being of cultural heritage value or interest; and

Whereas the Reasons for Designation are set out in Schedule “A” to this by-law; and

Whereas the Council of The Corporation of the City of Pickering has caused to be served on the owners of 681 Pleasant Street and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to designate the property and has caused the Notice of Intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality as requested by the *Ontario Heritage Act*; and

Now therefore, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Pickering enacts as follows:

1. The Mansfield House, known municipally as 681 Pleasant Street, is designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest for reasons set out in Schedule “A” attached hereto.
2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered on title to 681 Pleasant Street (the Mansfield House).
3. The City Clerk is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owners of 681 Pleasant Street (the Mansfield House) and the Ontario Heritage Trust and to publish notice of this by-law in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Pickering as required by the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

By-law passed on this 22nd of June, 2026.

Original Signed By

Kevin Ashe, Mayor

Original Signed By

Susan Cassel, City Clerk

Schedule “A” By-law No. 8275/26

Reasons for Designation

Description of Property

The Mansfield House, located at 681 Pleasant Street, is located on Plan 65, Block D, Lot 6 in the historic hamlet of Fairport, now part of the City of Pickering in the Region of Durham. The property is on the east side of Pleasant Street between Commerce Street to the north and Annland Street to the south. The property is approximately 0.1 hectares (0.25 acres) in size and contains a c.1872 one-and-a-half-storey red-brick dwelling constructed in the vernacular Gothic Revival style, and includes the surrounding residential lot, rear yard, and associated landscape.

Reason for Designation

681 Pleasant Street is of cultural heritage value or interest as a well-preserved example of a nineteenth-century Gothic Revival farmhouse, significant for its architectural design, direct associations with prominent historical figures in Fairport’s development, and integral role in defining the character of the village core.

The property exhibits the design/physical value required by *Ontario Regulation 9/06*. Its red-brick construction, T-shaped plan, steeply pitched gable with a pointed-arch window, segmental-arched openings, and original massing and proportions illustrate craftsmanship, stylistic expression, and architectural integrity.

The property also has historical/associative value by virtue of its connections with Thomas Mansfield Sr., a key merchant and community leader in Fairport, and its long-term relationship with the nearby Mansfield General Store. The house embodies the nineteenth-century pattern of merchant-residence integration in small lakeport villages.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key exterior elements that contribute to the property’s cultural heritage value include the following:

Exterior Design/Physical Attributes:

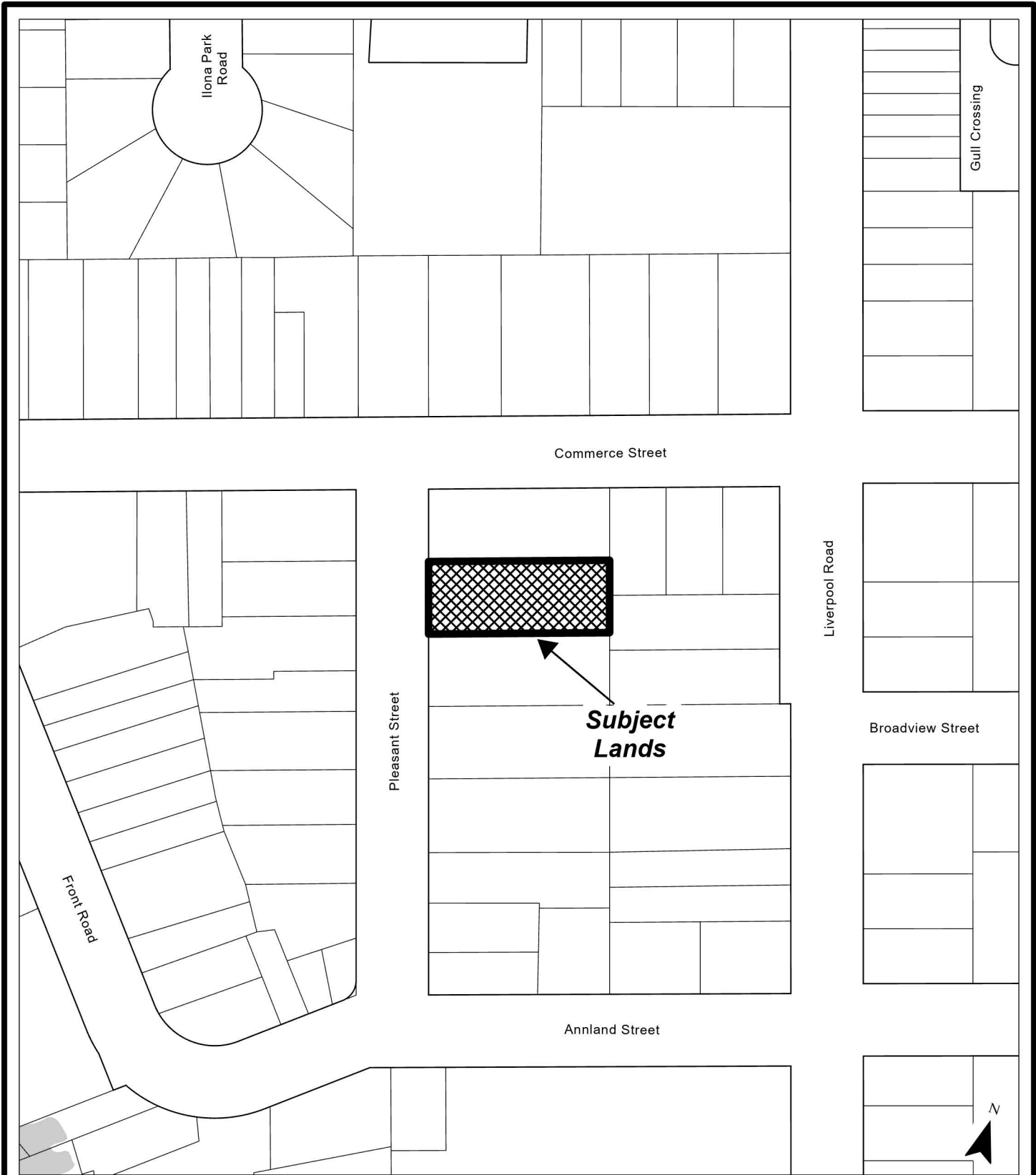
- Original form, scale, and massing;
- Red brick construction with buff brick detailing;
- Steeply pitched front gable with pointed-arch window;
- Segmental-arched window openings with decorative voussoirs;
- Tall, narrow windows and symmetrical front façade; and
- Bracketed eaves;
- Orientation of the house towards Pleasant Street with a shallow setback consistent with the historic village grid; and
- The property’s visual and historical relationship with the Mansfield General Store at 1291 Commerce Street.

Historical/Associative Attributes:

- Association with Thomas Mansfield Sr., a prominent early local merchant in Fairport; and
- Historical associations between Thomas Mansfield Sr., his place of residence at 681 Pleasant Street and his place of work nearby at 1291 Commercial Street.

Contextual Attributes:

- Proximity and visual relationship to 1291 Commercial Street;
- Location within the historic core of Fairport;
- Contribution to the streetscape and understanding of village life in the late 1800s.



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City Development
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Location Map

Municipal Address: 681 Pleasant Street

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