

3438 Green Road, Bowmanville

Statement of Significance and List of Character-Defining Features

Description

3438 Green Road is located on the west side of Green Road north of the urban area of Bowmanville. The subject property consists of a one-and-half-storey, stone building, constructed in a Gothic Revival style likely built between 1861 and 1870.

Physical/Design Value

3438 Green Road has design value as a representative example of Gothic Revival architectural style. 3438 Green Road is a one-and-a-half-storey, stone building which follows an L-shaped plan built in the Gothic Revival architectural style. The main portion of the building follows an L-shaped plan with an asymmetrical but balanced massing and composition. The cross gable roofline has overhanging eaves, a small front gable peak adorned with decorative scrolled vergeboard, while the gables ends and the front gable have a more elaborate and ornate vergeboard with finials which are key characteristics associated with Gothic Revival residential architecture. The building contains segmentally arched window openings with large stone voussoirs and a lancet window with tracery and stone voussoirs in the front gable peak which are representative of residential Gothic Architectural design. The primary rectangular entrance is centrally placed and is located under an open one-storey porch. The porch spans the entranceway and is supported with decorative treillage, which adds to the ornate characteristics associated with residential Gothic Revival architectural style.

3438 Green Road has physical value for its use of stone construction which is a rare material for this building type within the local context. According to the local heritage committee, the subject property is the only one of this type built in fieldstone, as brick was the primary material of choice, making it a rare material type with the local context.

Contextual Value

3438 Green Road is a well-built structure with stone masonry which displays a high degree of craftsmanship, especially within the local context. The building's stone cladding is assembled in an Aberdeen bond, with stone faces alternating between headers and stretchers. Specifically, the headers composed of small stones stacked in groups of three and the stretchers with the full-size stones together create a unique pattern which is augmented by the colour contrasts and created an overall noticeable and unique stone wall assemblage. The stone masonry, and the inclusion of the Aberdeen bond, demonstrates a high level of craftsmanship and technique by the builder.

Description of Heritage Attributes

3438 Green Road has design value as a representative example of Gothic Revival architectural style and is constructed with stone which is a rare material for this building type within the local context. The property contains the following heritage attributes that reflect this value:

- One-and-a-half-storey building constructed in the Gothic Revival style.
- Stone construction executed with 'Aberdeen Bond' masonry.
- L-shaped plan with an asymmetrical but balanced massing and composition.
- Cross gable roofline with overhanging eaves, with a small front gable peak adorned with decorative scrolled vergeboard; the gable ends and the front gable showcase more elaborate and ornate vergeboard with finials.
- Segmentally arched window openings with large stone voussoirs.
- The lancet window with tracery and stone voussoirs in the front gable peak.
- The centrally placed primary rectangular entrance.
- Open one-storey porch with ornate treillage supports.

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