

Re: Item No. 12.1

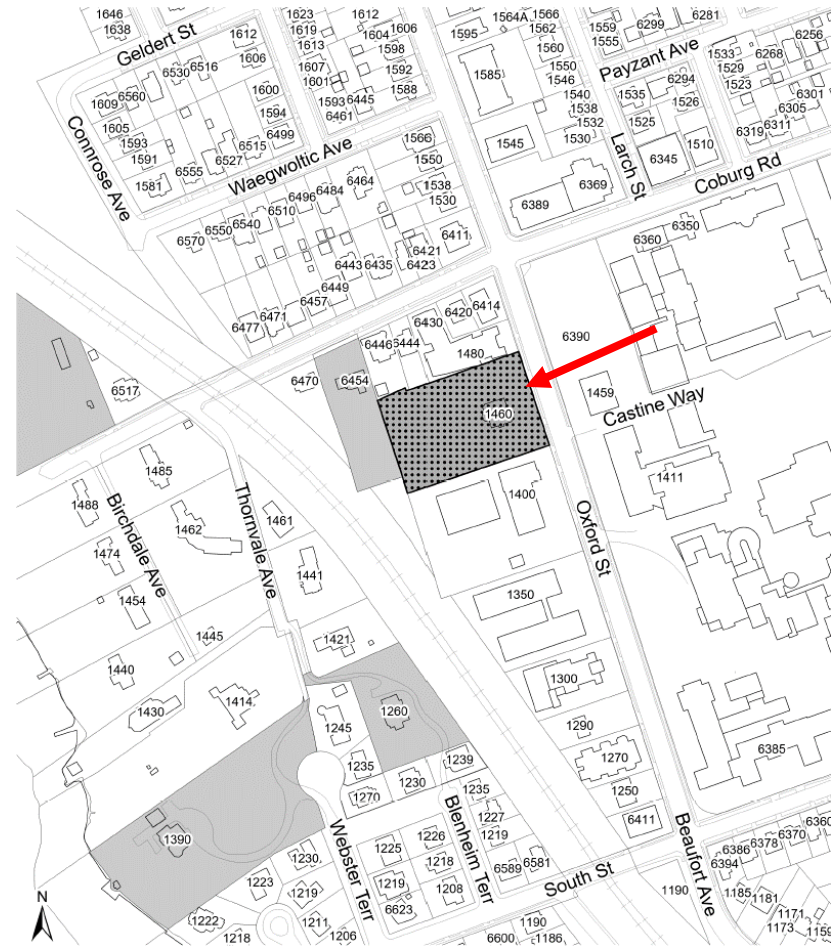
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H00525 – 1460 Oxford Street

Request to Include the Property in the Registry of Heritage Property for
the Halifax Regional Municipality

Regional Council
December 13, 2022

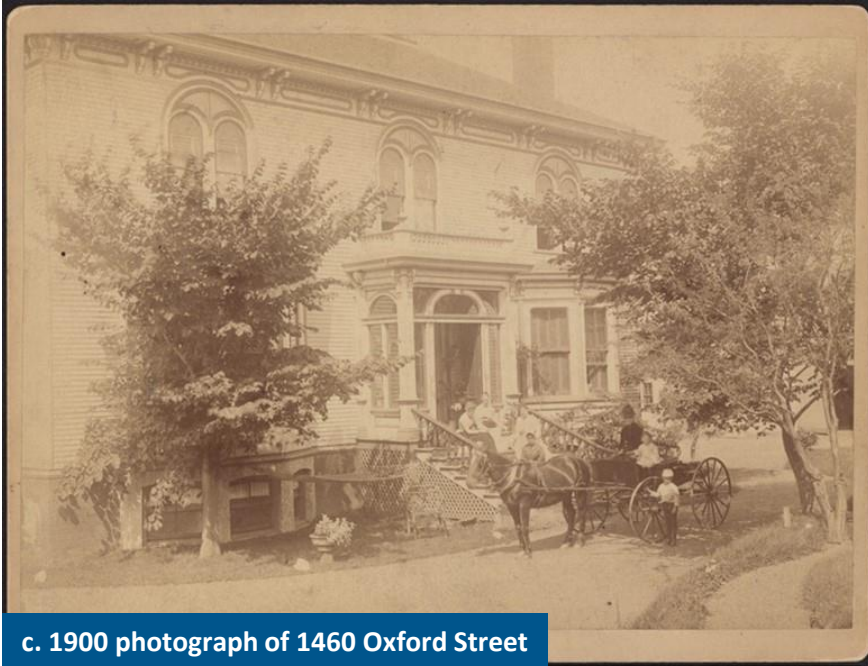
Location



Registration Evaluation Criteria

Criterion	Maximum Score
1. Age	25
2. Historical or Architectural Importance	20
3. Significance of Architect / Builder	10
4. Architectural Merit: Construction Type and Style	20
5. Architectural Integrity	15
6. Relationship to Surrounding Area	10
Total	100

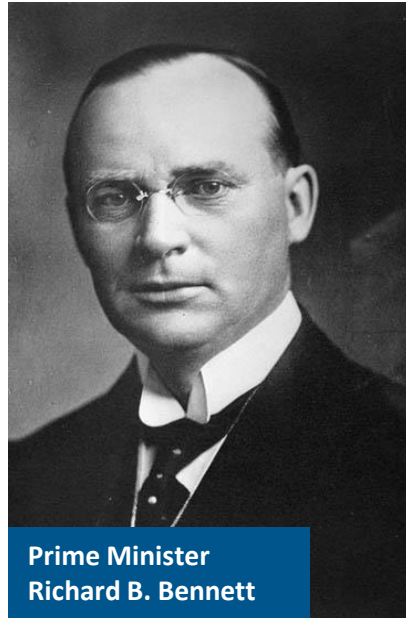
1. Age



c. 1900 photograph of 1460 Oxford Street

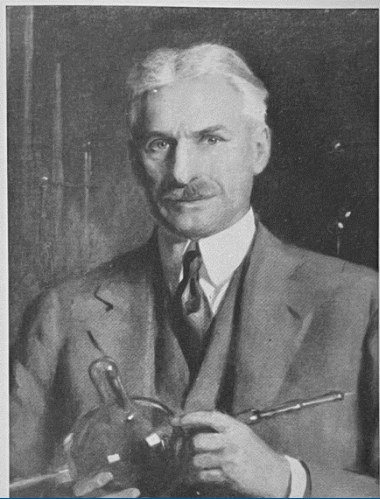
- Property was known as “Oakville” when it was built
- Construction began in 1867 and was completed in 1868

2. Historical Importance



- Levi Hart
- Prime Minister Richard B. Bennett

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- Dalhousie University:
 - Dr. Arthur Stanley Mackenzie
 - Dr. Carleton Stanley
 - Dr. Alexander E. Kerr

3. Significance of Architect / Builder

- Historical research was unable to uncover the original architect or builder

4a. Architectural Merit (*Construction*)



- Light-frame wood construction
- Brick and granite masonry foundation

4b. Architectural Merit *(Style)*

- Italianate style mansion, a popular building style between 1850-1890
- Originally one of two “twin” mansions built beside one another, called “Oakville” and “Armbrae”
- Rare example of an Italianate mansion in this neighbourhood



5. Architectural Integrity



6. Relationship to Surrounding Area



- One of the early rural estates in the “Old West End”, developed on land owned by the Pryor family
- One of several institutional buildings in the area and on this block of Oxford Street
- Originally one of two twin Italianate mansions, “Oakville” and “Armbrae”
- Intimately related to Dalhousie University

Registration Evaluation Criteria

Criterion	Score Awarded
1. Age	13
2. Historical or Architectural Importance	13
3. Significance of Architect / Builder	1
4a. Architectural Merit: Construction Type	3
4b. Architectural Merit: Style	10
5. Architectural Integrity	14
6. Relationship to Surrounding Area	10
Total	64

Recommendation

That Halifax Regional Council approve the request to include 1460 Oxford Street, Halifax in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality, as shown on Map 1 of the October 21, 2022 report, as a municipal heritage property under the Heritage Property Act.

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Thank You

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