The Corporation of the Town of South Bruce Peninsula

By-Law Number 83-2014

Being a By-Law to Designate the Wiarton Cenotaph
Located at 581 Berford Street as Having Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the Town of South Bruce Peninsula did give notice of its intention to designate the property described in Schedule A of this by-law in accordance with Sub-section 29 (3) of the Ontario Heritage Act R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18;

And whereas no notice of objection was served on the Town Clerk as required by Subsection 29 (5) of the said Act;

And whereas the Town of South Bruce Peninsula does so desire to designate the property and appurtenances thereto as described in Schedule A to this by-law in accordance with Clause 29 (6) (a) of the said Act.

Now therefore the Council of the Corporation of the Town of South Bruce Peninsula enacts as follows:

1. The Wiarton Cenotaph located at 581 Berford Street, former Town of Wiarton, now in the Town of South Bruce Peninsula and more particularly described in Schedule A attached hereto, is hereby designated to have attributes of cultural heritage value or interest.

2. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this by-law together with a statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the property and a description of heritage attributes of the property as set out in Schedule B attached hereto, to be registered against the property affected in the Registry Office.

3. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this by-law, together with a statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the property and a description of the heritage attributes of the property to be served on the owner of the property and on the Ontario Heritage Trust by personal service or by registered mail.

4. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of this by-law once in the Wiarton Echo.

5. This by-law shall come into force and effect upon the final passing thereof.
Read a first and second time this 19th day of August, 2014.

Read a third time and finally passed this 19th day of August, 2014.
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Schedule A

581 Berford Street
former Town of Wiarton,
now in the Town of South Bruce Peninsula.

The cenotaph is situated and lying upon lands as described herein:

In the Town of South Bruce Peninsula, formerly the Town of Wiarton

Pt Lt 10 E/S Berford St and S/S Division St PI Wiarton as in WR5223; South Bruce Peninsula PIN 33142-0101 (LT) Roll 410258000205800, County of Bruce, Province of Ontario.
Description of Property – 581 Berford Street was unveiled in August of 1922 as a war memorial. It sits prominently in its downtown Wiarton location.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest – the heritage value lies in the association of the Wiarton Cenotaph with the sacrifice of local soldiers in World War I, World War II and the Korean War. The limestone monument was erected by J.S. Cook & Son of Wiarton. The statue depicts a lone male soldier standing tall, grasping his rifle vertically in front of him.

Description of Heritage Attributes
Key attributes that reflect the heritage value of the Wiarton Cenotaph include:

- Statue with three shafts and two plant holders
- Names of the honoured deceased are inscribed on the left, centre and right shaft
- An inscription on the right plant holder says “Korean War 1950-1953”
- An inscription on the left plant holder says “Lest We Forget”
- An inscription on the centre shaft says “Erected to Perpetuate the Memory of our Honoured Dead and those who carried on in the great war 1914-1918”
- Statue and shafts made of limestone
- Used by the Royal Canadian Legion since 1922 to honour veterans
- Located in a prominent downtown location on Berford Street