

# THE CHATHAM-KENT MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTER



## Listed Properties in the Community of Tilbury

# Community of Tilbury

## 26 Canal Street East



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** 1900

**Historical Significance:** This extravagant home was originally owned by William Moffat. William was the father of Darrel S. Moffat, the man whom Tilbury citizens named their United Church after. In 2008 it won the People's Choice Award at the Mayor's Heritage Award Banquet.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This structure is one of the most detailed and well preserved homes in all of Chatham-Kent. The residence's primary architectural influence is Italian Villa. The stone front veranda, yellow verge boards, bay widow, and the tall central tower are outstanding features.

**Contextual Significance:** The home is on the corner of Canal and James Streets.

**Legal Description:** PT LTS 56 & 57, PLAN 189  
AS IN 131721 TILBURY

**Additional Notes:** This home is arguably the best preserved and most exquisite example of Italian Villa architecture in the municipality. Few properties are more worthy of a more formal designation.



# Community of Tilbury

## 5 Canal Street West



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1890

**Historical Significance:** This building is one of the older residences in proximity to Tilbury's downtown core.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The structure's most prominent feature is the elaborate front veranda. The asymmetrical design suggests a strong Queen Anne influence. The gables are uniquely shaped when compared to other houses of the same time period. The front entrance exhibits a Neo-Classical design element in addition to a veranda turret.

**Contextual Significance:** The domicile is the closest residence to the town's most prominent building—Tilbury Post Office.

**Legal Description:** LTS 15 & 16, PLAN 283 & PT LANE, PLAN 283, CLOSED BY BYLAWS 117913 & 152372 AS IN 434625 S/T 376868 TILBURY



# Community of Tilbury

## 23 Canal Street West



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1890

**Historical Significance:** This home is one of the older structures on Canal Street West. The original owner of the residence is unknown at this time. However, the Adams family have taken care of the structure for the better part of the twentieth century.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The rose windows, located on the side of the house, are one of its most interesting features. The home's features are consistent with Queen Anne design. The vent under the front gable and the humble window surrounds are period features. The front entrance way is a much more recent addition.

**Contextual Significance:** The residence's proximity to St. Francis Xavier Church, and the large corner lot on which it resides, make this home a landmark in the community.

**Legal Description:** PT LTS 26 & 27, PLAN 283  
AS IN TI6074 TILBURY



# Community of Tilbury

## 49 Canal Street West



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1870

**Historical Significance:** This home appears to be one of the older remaining structures in the community of Tilbury. It was likely built by one of the early French settlers.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This mix, of what looks to be Classical Revival and Gothic Revival architecture, has one very unique characteristic—the brick. Few, if any other buildings in Chatham-Kent, have been made out of this style of brick.

**Contextual Significance:** The home is located only a few short blocks from St. Francis Xavier Church.

**Legal Description:** LT 10, PLAN 356 TILBURY



# Community of Tilbury

## 26-28 Prospect Street



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1900

**Historical Significance:** St. Andrew's Anglican Church was built after many years of struggling by Rev. Thomas Dobson, who worked furiously to gain support to construct the church. Thus this structure shows the determination of a congregation to construct an adequate place of worship.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The building has a number of architectural influences. The lancet shaped windows and steep gables suggest a dominant Gothic Revival design. It also includes features of Richardsonian Romanesque design.

**Contextual Significance:** The church can be seen from around Tilbury's downtown because of the height of its tower.

**Legal Description:** LTS 15, 16, 17 & PT LT 18, BLK 2, PLAN 286 AS IN TI3296 & TI5010 TILBURY



# Community of Tilbury

## 31 Prospect Street



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1895

**Historical Significance:** The home was likely built by one of Tilbury's influential citizens around the turn of the century.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This dwelling is an excellent example of Queen Anne architecture because of the asymmetrical design, fieldstone foundation, elaborate front veranda, verge boards, and lentils.

**Contextual Significance:** This residence is surrounded by some of Tilbury's oldest structures. The house is located at the corner of Prospect and Elm streets.

**Legal Description:** LT 9 & PT LT 8, BLK 5, PLAN 286 AS IN 506529 TILBURY



# Community of Tilbury

## 35 Prospect Street



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1895

**Historical Significance:** This home was built by one of Tilbury's most influential citizens around the turn of the century.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The field stone foundation of this property is particularly notable. Moreover, the bay window, front veranda, and asymmetrical features make this property an excellent example of Queen Anne architecture.

**Contextual Significance:** The home is located in a large grouping of historically significant Tilbury residences.

**Legal Description:** LOT 6 & THE WESTERLY 15 FEET IN EVEN PERPENDICULAR WIDTH OF LOT 7, BLOCK 5, PLAN 286 ; CHATHAM-KENT





# Community of Tilbury

## 37 Prospect Street



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1900

**Historical Significance:** The building is one of the oldest houses on Tilbury's historic Prospect Street. It is evidence of citizen prosperity in turn of the century Tilbury.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The structure has a dominate vernacular Queen Anne influence. It is more modest, when compared to other examples in Chatham-Kent. However, the dark coloured brick used on this building makes it unique from other cases in the municipality.

**Contextual Significance:** This home is positioned in a unique area of Tilbury, surrounded by a number of other historic buildings.

**Legal Description:** LOT 5 & PART LOT 4, BLOCK 5, PLAN 286 AS IN 229672 ; CHATHAM-KENT



# Community of Tilbury

## 40 Prospect Street



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1900

**Historical Significance:** The building is one of the oldest houses on Tilbury's historic Prospect Street. It is evidence of citizen prosperity in turn of the century Tilbury.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This house has a number of architecturally significant, Queen Anne features. However, none are more noticeable than the construction material used. Few buildings in Chatham-Kent have used cinderblock material to the same extent as this residence. The front veranda and balcony are additional design elements of note.

**Contextual Significance:** The domicile is located in an area surrounded by other historical properties.

**Legal Description:** LT 14, BLK 4, PLAN 286  
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# Community of Tilbury

## 1 Queen Street North



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1875

**Historical Significance:** The building has served Tilbury and the surrounding area for over 100 years. The main purpose of this structure has been as a post office, though it has served the community in a number of other capacities. William Henderson was instrumental in the establishment of Tilbury Post Office. The community was initially named Henderson, after the aforementioned man, as a result.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The building appears to be a combination of both Second Empire, and Renaissance Revival architectural design. The Second Empire influence can be seen in the mansard roof, while the Renaissance Revival features include the arched windows and polychromatic brick work. A unique feature of this structure is the clock tower. The clock, made in England during the 1860's, stopped working in the 1960's and was replaced with stained glass windows. After repairs were made in Ottawa the clock was returned to Tilbury in 1984.

**Contextual Significance:** The tower of the building is the most recognizable and ornate structure in Tilbury's downtown. Moreover, It is on the most prominent corner in the community.

**Legal Description:** CON 4 W PT LOT 22 REG COMP PLAN 794 LOT 29 ALSO BEING RP 24R4459 PART 1



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# Community of Tilbury

## 14-22 Queen Street North



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1895

**Historical Significance:** This stretch of commercial buildings, located on Queen Street North, are some of the oldest in the community. The majority of dwellings on this stretch were built by William Moffat, a man highly involved in the lumber industry in the Tilbury area.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** These buildings were constructed with detailed brick work. The yellow brick on the middle building is noteworthy. These structures appear to have an Italianate influence.

**Contextual Significance:** The Moffat Block is located on Tilbury's main street. It is surrounded by a number of other historic buildings. The structures are a landmark in the community.

**Legal Description:** (14-16) PT LT 2, PLAN 189 AS IN 534244 "DESCRIPTION IN 534244 MAY NOT BE ACCEPTABLE IN FUTURE RE: VAGUE" T/W INTERESTS, IF ANY, IN 534244 TILBURY (18) PT LT 2, PLAN 189, DESIGNATED AS PART 1, 24R6192 ; CHATHAM-KENT (20-22) PART OF LOTS 2 & 3, PLAN 189 AS IN 373585 S/T 373585 ; CHATHAM-KENT



# Community of Tilbury

## 27 Queen Street North



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** 1887

**Historical Significance:** This property was originally built by the Powell family. However, it was purchased by W.C. Crawford soon after its construction. The Crawford Block became the equivalent of a nineteenth century department store. Many visitors commented on how well it compared to similar businesses in Chatham.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The brackets and lentils over the windows are extremely ornate. The cornice suggests there was a strong Italianate influence during the buildings construction.

**Contextual Significance:** The building is located in Tilbury's downtown core.

**Legal Description:** LT 34, PLAN 794 AS IN 369470 TILBURY



# Community of Tilbury

## 31 Queen Street North



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1930

**Historical Significance:** This building, a more recent construction in Tilbury's downtown, is historically significant because it has dominated the corner of Queen and Prospect Street for nearly a century. The building has been used for a number of different business ventures over the years.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The arched windows, detailed brickwork, and unusual shape of this corner building, make it an excellent example of early twentieth century commercial design.

**Contextual Significance:** The building is located on the corner of Queen and Prospect streets.

**Legal Description:** LT 35, PLAN 794 AS IN 360882 TILBURY



# Community of Tilbury

## 17 Superior Street



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection Circa:**  
1888 and 1918

**Historical Significance:** The Tilbury Station is one of the oldest remaining municipal structures in the community. The tower was built in 1888 and the Fire Hall was added in 1918.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** The Tilbury Fire Station Tower is one of the most recognizable architectural features in Tilbury. Few communities have a tower of its height. The station has been added on to and painted, but it still has most of its original design features.

**Contextual Significance:** The Fire Station Tower can be seen throughout the community. It is one of the most recognizable features incorporated into Tilbury's skyline. The building is a landmark.

**Legal Description:** PT LTS 1, 2 & 3, BLK 2, PLAN 286, PT 1, 24R-2037; LT 4 & PT OF LT 3, BLK 2, PLAN 286 AS IN 348013 TILBURY



# Community of Tilbury

## 5 Tilbury Street



**Date Added to Registry:** 18-Jan-2010

**Historic Period and/or Date of Erection:** Circa 1900

**Historical Significance:** This home was built in proximity to one of Tilbury's oldest residences—A log cabin that was torn down during the late twentieth century. This surviving structure is significant because it is one of the few Edwardian Cottage designs in the community.

**Architectural Significance/Description:** This Edwardian Cottage design has a number of interesting features. The front façade, that includes a classically influenced portico, is unique.

**Contextual Significance:** The residence is located next to an usually shaped intersection (Tilbury and Canal Street East).

**Legal Description:** PT LT 17, CON 4 (TILBURY EAST) AS IN 103861 TILBURY

