

# Buttonville Heritage Conservation District

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## The District Plan



## User Guide to the Heritage District Plan

The Buttonville Heritage Conservation District Plan (2011) is a comprehensive document of policies and guidelines which have been developed to help ensure the retention and conservation of the District's heritage resources and to guide future development so that it enhances the area's special character.

The following summary guide is provided for quick reference for the benefit of the occasional or first time user of the document.

<u>Information Request</u>	<u>Where to Look</u>
I want to know the <b>district boundaries</b> and if my property is a <b>heritage resource</b>	Review the boundaries in Section 1.8 and building classification information in Sections 2.0, 2.2.2 & 2.2.3
I want Information on the <b>area's history and special characteristics</b>	Consult the District Inventory document published under separate cover for the area history. Review Sections 2.1 and 2.2 for heritage characteristics.
I want to undertake <b>improvements to a heritage building</b>	Review the policies in Section 4.2 and the guidelines in Section 9.2
I want to make <b>changes to a non-heritage building</b>	Review the policies in Section 4.3 and the guidelines in Section 9.3
I want to build a <b>new single detached house</b> .	Review the policies in Section 4.4 and the guidelines in Section 9.4
I want to construct a <b>new building on Woodbine Avenue</b>	Review the policies in Section 4.6 and the guidelines in Section 9.4.3 and 9.4.4
I am starting a new business and want a <b>sign</b>	Review the policies in Section 4.6.2 and the guidelines in Section 9.4
I want to install <b>front and rear yard fencing</b>	Review the policies in Section 4.5.3 and the guidelines in Section 9.6.4 and 9.6.5
I want information on appropriate <b>landscape treatments</b>	Review the policies in Section 4.5 and the guidelines in Section 9.6

**Definitions:** These words, frequently used in the Plan, are defined as follows:

**Compatible**—that which is well suited; a harmonious relationship; consistent or in-keeping with; without a jarring contrast.

**Incompatible**—that which is mismatched or unsuited; incapable of coexisting harmoniously.

**Complementary**—that which is balanced or harmonizing.

**Sympathetic**—that which is designed in a sensitive or fitting way.

**Controversial**—a project or design that is not consistent with or compliant with the Heritage District Plan's policies and guidelines, or where the Plan does not address the issue.

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#### Note:

In order to establish a consistent form for Markham’s heritage documentation, this Plan has made use of many of the design guidelines and illustrations originally prepared for the Unionville and Thornhill Heritage Conservation District Plan. This material has been revised, as required, for Buttonville, based upon current standards of practice and the requirements for heritage conservation districts as per the current *Ontario Heritage Act*.

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This is one of two documents dealing with the Buttonville Heritage Conservation District. The other document, published in separate volume is the Buttonville Plan Building Inventory.

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