

# 3367 Dundas Street West

**Location:** The property is located on the north side of Dundas Street West, between Bronte Road and Tremaine Road.

**Description:** The property is an approximately 2.3-acre rectangular parcel of land comprising the remnant components of a 20<sup>th</sup> century farmstead. It presently includes a two-and-a-half storey, red brick residence constructed around 1911 in an Edwardian classicism style (c. 1900-1930). Several late 20<sup>th</sup> century outbuildings have recently been removed.

**Current Observed Use:** The property is currently vacant.

**Existing Heritage Designation:** The property is listed on the Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest (Not Designated). The reason for listing is as follows: “This property has potential cultural heritage value for its historic farmstead, including the house and outbuilding, historically associated with the agricultural development of Trafalgar Township”.

**Results of Phase I:** A Cultural Heritage Evaluation of the property as a Cultural Heritage Landscape was recommended.

## Phase II Background Research Findings:

**Pre-Contact** The area around the Fourteen Mile Creek was used and/or occupied by various Indigenous groups prior to European settlement. Portions of Dundas Street comprise a former First Nations trail.

**1806-1902 Early settlement and McMichael Farm.** Survey of Trafalgar Township by Samuel Wilmot (1806). The crown patent for the 200-acre parcel comprising Lot 34, Concession I North of Dundas Street was granted to James McBride.

Following McBride’s death in 1849, the property is transferred to his son, then to his daughter, Jane, who is married to David McMichael.

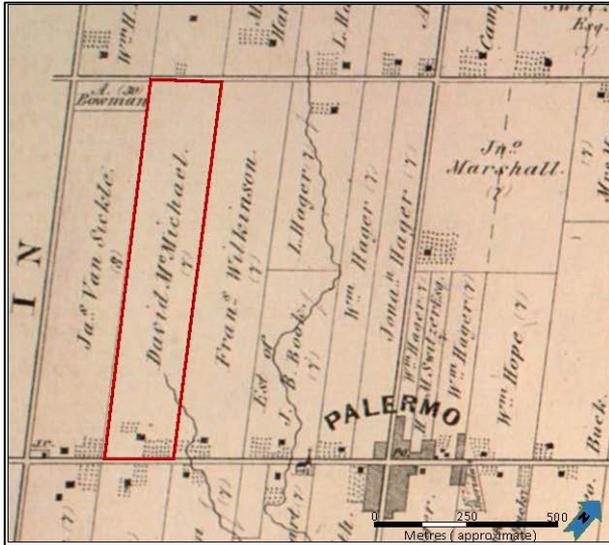
The 1861 Census lists the McMichaels as living in a frame house on the property. They had over 100 acres under cultivation.

**1902-1986** Charles ‘Frank’ Rivas acquires the property in 1902. The two-and-a-half storey, red brick house is constructed sometime between 1911 and 1916 – possibly in 1911 when the 50-acre north quarter of the property is sold. Portions of the remaining 150-acre farm continue to be sold off throughout the years by the Rivas family.

In 1946, the property is sold to Joseph Pigott. The approximately 2-acre parcel containing the house is sold to E. Butler in 1972.

The Azevedo family purchase the 2.3-acre property in 1986 and owned it until recently.

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Source: J.H. Pole, 1877



Source: A. Barnes, 2015

<p>1960</p>	<p>1995</p>	<p>Corporation of the Town of Oakville 1225 Trafalgar Rd Oakville, ON L6H 0H3</p>
<p>2006</p>	<p>2015</p>	<p>3367 Dundas Street West Subject Property Morphology</p> <p>Drawing not to scale</p>

Above: Property morphology showing changes to the landscape and surrounding area since 1960.

Top left: Detail of 1877 map of Trafalgar Township showing 200-acre McMichael Farm, one-and-a-half storey frame house, and orchards. Palermo is shown to the east of the farm.

Bottom left: The two-and-a-half storey, c. 1911, red brick farmhouse built by Frank Rivas is all that remains of the former agricultural landscape.