

Jamaica National Heritage Trust

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONFIRM PRESERVATION SCHEME

FOR BLUE AND JOHN CROW MOUNTAINS PROTECTED NATIONAL HERITAGE AND WORLD HERITAGE SITE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **Jamaica National Heritage Trust** (hereinafter referred to as 'the Trust') in the exercise of the power conferred by Section 21 of the Jamaica National Heritage Trust Act (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act') intends to confirm a Preservation Scheme for the purpose of preserving the amenities of the Blue and John Crow Mountains Protected National Heritage and World Heritage Site, situated in the parishes of St. Andrew, St. Thomas, Portland, and St. Mary more particularly described in the Schedule attached hereto.

CITATION

This Preservation Scheme may be cited as the **Jamaica National Heritage Trust Act (Blue and John Crow Mountains) Preservation Scheme, 2019** (hereinafter referred to as 'the Scheme').

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

- 1) Pursuant to Section 21(1) of the Act, the Trust is empowered to prepare and confirm a preservation scheme for any area comprising or adjacent to any place designated protected national heritage, being an area which, in the opinion of the Trust, it is necessary or expedient for preserving the amenities of the protected national heritage.
- 2) Every preservation scheme shall define by reference to a map annexed thereto a 'Controlled Area' to which the Scheme is applicable and provide prescriptions for the treatment and use of the area under the Scheme.
- 3) The Scheme shall not affect any building, structure or other works above ground or any alteration or extension thereof, if it was constructed, erected or executed or if its construction, erection or execution was begun before the date of the publication of this Notice in the Gazette or if its construction, erection or execution was necessary for the purpose of performing a contract made before the date of publication of this Notice.
- 4) Any person whose property is injuriously affected by the coming into force of this Scheme shall be subject to the provisions for compensation under the Act.

INSPECTION OF SCHEME

A copy of the Scheme may be inspected starting Wednesday March 20, 2019 by:

- i. Personal attendance at:
 - a) The Offices of the Trust: 79 Duke Street, Kingston between the hours 8:00 a.m – 4:00 p.m. Mondays to Fridays; or
 - b) Local Post Offices - Portland, St. Mary, St. Thomas, Kingston & St. Andrew; or
 - c) Parish Libraries - Portland, St. Mary, St. Thomas, Kingston & St. Andrew
- ii. Visiting the Trust's website at: www.jnht.com

OBJECTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

1. Any person affected by the Scheme may make representation in writing to the Trust before the expiration of a period of ninety three (93) days from the date of the publication of this Notice in the Sunday Gleaner or ninety (90) days from the scheduled publishing in the Jamaica Gazette on March 20, 2019. Representation(s) should be addressed to:

**Blue and John Crow Mountains Preservation Scheme
Jamaica National Heritage Trust
79 Duke Street
Kingston, Jamaica**

Attention: Ms. Kadene Campbell

2. The Objection must specify the grounds and any modification required.

CONFIRMATION, VARIATION, REVOCATION

This Scheme when confirmed shall come into effect and continue to remain in force and full operation from the date of confirmation in the Jamaica Gazette and may be varied or revoked in accordance with stipulations under the Third Schedule to the Act;

SANCTION

1. Criminal proceeding may be instituted in the Parish Courts against any person who contravene any provision of the Scheme including any variation thereto in force from time to time.
2. The Trust may do all such acts as in its opinion may be necessary to remove elements of any building, structure or works or for making any building, structure or works conform with the provisions of the Scheme and recover any expenses incurred in doing the said acts as a civil debt from any person convicted under paragraph 1 above.


SCHEDULE

Blue and John Crow Mountains Protected National Heritage & World Heritage Site (Controlled Area & Buffer Zone)

All that parcel of land known as the Blue and John Crow Mountains National Park and the Rio Grande Valley and located in parts of the parishes of St. Andrew, St. Thomas, Portland and south-east St. Mary; the boundary begins at Warminster District on the Parish border of Portland and St. Mary where it travels northward along the Warminster to Belmont main road, then turns northwest through Robertsons Run, then turns south to Dumfries. At Dumfries it assumes a southwest trajectory passing north of Hermitage and Leith Hall where it continues south, then southwest along Brandon Hill to Mount Prospect main road. At Mount Prospect, it veers off the road alignment passing between Mount Crissy and Mount Airy, then proceeding in a generally southern direction where it passes through Dick's Pond, Woodford and Craigton before turning north through Redlight and then circumventing New Castle, traversing lands east of Settlement, north of Sugar Loaf Trail and west of St. Peters, looping south of Silver Hill Gap and continuing on an eastward trajectory. It then passes south of Chestervale, circumventing Strawberry Hill to the north before passing Abbey Green, Radnor, Eccleston, and Arntully to the northeast where it traverses Newington, Newsfield, and Shirley Castle and continues on a southeast trajectory along the Morant River (Blue Mountain Valley) to Hillside. The boundary then arches the districts of Cave Bottom and Craighead to the north and proceeds to House Hill, passing north of Mount Donald and traversing Cedar Grove where it swings north to Big Level just north of Johnson Mountain. At this point it travels in a generally northwesterly direction through Rose Garden Mountain to Cambridge Backland then west to Windsor and north along the Rio Grande west bank to Fellowship where it travels in a westerly direction along Cooper's Hill to Durham main road. Just south of Burton Hall the boundary continues in a generally westerly direction to Trafalgar Plantation where it diverts northwards to the Cottage and Berwick Spring then turns south through Leighfield and passes east of Spring Hill, Wakefield and (Cedar Valley before swinging north again through Green Hill, Biramwood Retreat, Dry River and back to Warminster.

Dated this 15th day of March 2019



Orville Hill
Chairman

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