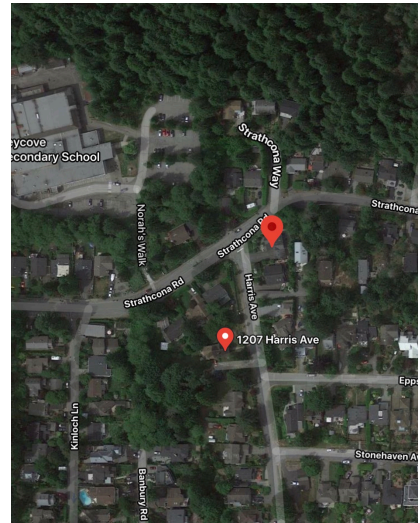


Gillis Homestead/Strathcona Store



In the late 1920s, Jack and Christina Gillis purchased four lots on Harris avenue for \$20 each, and built their home at 1207 Harris avenue. In 1936, Mrs. Gillis decided to start the Strathcona Store across the street. From 1956 to 1966, the store also housed the local post office. This was an important store that helped aid in the community's development, but it's important to also take into account that the land was used without permission from the local First Nations people. The building was torn down in 2005, and two homes have now been built on the site.

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