

HERITAGE PLACE

NAME OF PLACE: SHOPS

ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE: 103 Graham Street WONTHAGGI

STUDY NUMBER: 526

HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER: HO156

OTHER NAME/S OF PLACE: ZIA CARMELINA

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: Bass Coast Shire

PARISH: PARISH OF WONTHAGGI

SIGNIFICANCE RATING: Local



Graham Street elevation

Image Date: July 2004

EXTENT OF LISTING:
Whole allotment.

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Precinct

Group Number

Extra Files

Location 103 Graham Street WONTHAGGI

PARISH OF WONTHAGGI

COUNTY OF MORNINGTON

WONTHAGGI (T)

Planning Authority

Ward Hovell

Access Description

Map Number

0

Map Scale 1:100000

Latitude

Longitude

UMG Zone

Easting

Northing

Location Validity

Spatial Accuracy

Extent of Listing

Whole allotment.

Published Extent of Listing

Significance Local

Statement of Significance

The pair of shops at 103 Graham Street are of local historic and aesthetic significance. Built during the earliest phase of Wonthaggi's development, the shops are of historic significance. As two early shops in the area, they demonstrate the means and aspirations of local shopkeepers. The shops are of aesthetic significance as largely intact examples of Edwardian shops in a rural setting.

Gazettal Details

Permit Exemptions

Exemptions Policy

Assessment Against Criteria

Date Assessed 20/08/2004 Assessed By F Woodhouse

Comparisons

Relative Assessment

Intact Assessment

Good.

Include in VHR Include in RNE Include in Local Planning Scheme No Recommendations for Inclusions

Recommended Management

Investigate original paint schemes when repainting is next due

Heritage Act Categories

Heritage Item Groups

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Heritage place

Retail and Wholesale

Commercial Office/Building

Title Details

Physical Description

The pair of shops at 103 Graham Street, Wonthaggi are single storey brick structures. The facades of each shop comprise modern brickwork and glazing at ground floor level, with the original rendered parapet intact above. Each shop features a modern steel framed verandah. Extensions have been added to the rear of each building.

Physical Condition and/or Archaeological Potential

Usage Shops.

Associated People

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Historical Notes

Wonthaggi was established as a mining town in 1909 to supply the Victorian Railways with black coal, and thus make Victoria independent of the privately owned New South Wales coalfields, the previous source of coal for the railways. The decision to proceed with mining coal from the Powlett Coalfield was prompted by the coal miners in New South Wales strike in 1909. When established, the coal was worked by the State Coal Mine from the Dudley and Kirrak Basins. The township of Wonthaggi is located on a ridge between the two basins. Initially the miners lived in a tent city; by 1910 the Government had laid out a model township. By 1921 Wonthaggi had a population of 5,000, making it one of the largest towns in Gippsland at the time. Wonthaggi's population peaked at around 12,000 in the mid-1920s when the mine was at its operational peak. The township was divided into commercial and residential areas. Its infrastructure provided for housing, water, churches, schools, and other social facilities. Constructed in 1912, these shops are located on allotments 39 and 40 of Graham Street. These allotments were originally sold to M Atkinson in 1915 and 1923 respectively. The land was probably leased prior to the final purchase, which dates much later than the construction of the shops.

Historic Themes

Thematic Environmental History

13.1 Larger Towns: Wonthaggi, the site of the former State Coal Mine, was established to supply coal to the Victorian Railways and eventually other industries. Today it is a flourishing town and the largest shopping centre in South Gippsland. Wonthaggi's commercial area includes an extensive range of shops. As a tourist destination, the area supports hotels, motels, caravan parks and accommodation for holiday rentals. Nearby attractions include Cape Paterson and its fine surf beaches and the adjoining Bunurong Marine Park. The State Coal Mine and Mining Museum, now a tourist attraction, is managed by Parks Victoria.

Listings

References

Author	Title	Year	Shelf	Location
Department of Land and Survey	Parish Plan of Township of Wonthaggi, Parish of Wonthaggi, County of Mornington			
John M Coghlan	The State Coal Mine and Wonthaggi 1909-1968	1979		
T.J. Gannon (ed.)	Wonthaggi and District Past and Present	1934		

Conservation Plans

Owner Type

Section 32 Recommendation

Owners/Occupants/Managers

Other Notes

Application Detail

Adviser Comments

Planning Scheme Amendments

Overlay Controls

Planning Scheme Schedule

External Paint Controls?	Yes	Included in Vic Heritage Register?	No
Internal Alteration Controls?	No	Prohibited uses may be permitted?	Yes
Tree Controls?	No	Name of incorporated plan	No
Outbuildings/fences not exempt?	No	Aboriginal Heritage Place?	No