

# HERITAGE PLACE

**NAME OF PLACE:** HOUSE

**ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE:** 20 Elizabeth Street DALYSTON

**STUDY NUMBER:** 375

**HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER:** HO68

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA:** Bass Coast Shire

**PARISH:** PARISH OF WONTHAGGI

**SIGNIFICANCE RATING:** Local



**Image Date:** December 2003

**EXTENT OF LISTING:**

Whole allotment.

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Location 20 Elizabeth Street DALYSTON

PARISH OF WONTHAGGI

COUNTY OF MORNINGTON

Planning Authority

Ward Anderson

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 house at 20 Elizabeth Street, Dalyston is of local historic and aesthetic significance. Erected in c.1900 it demonstrates the early phase of settlement of the town. Aesthetically it a fine and substantially intact example of a late-Victorian farmhouse and is one of the few of its type remaining in the town. Historically it is demonstrative of the provision of health services in a rural location, the means and aspirations of the early settlers and the standard of accommodation befitting local officials, i.e. the doctor.

Gazettal Details

Permit Exemptions

Exemptions Policy

Assessment Against Criteria

AHC A.4 Importance for association with events, developments or cultural phases which have had a significant role in the human occupation and evolution of the nation, State, region or community.

AHC C.2 Importance for information contributing to a wider understanding of the history of human occupation of Australia.

AHC D.2 Importance in demonstrating the principal characteristics of the range of human activities in the Australian environment (including way of life, philosophy, custom, process, land use, function, design or technique).

AHC E.1 Importance for a community for aesthetic characteristics held in high esteem or otherwise valued by the community.

Date Assessed 05/08/2004 Assessed By F Woodhouse

Comparisons

Rare Assessment

Intact Assessment

Good

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

Recommended Management

Investigate original external paint colours when due for a repaint

Heritage Act Categories

Heritage Item Groups

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Title Details

Architectural Style

Victorian Period (1851-1901) Vernacular

Physical Description

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The cottage at 20 Elizabeth Street, Dalyston, is a single-storey weatherboard villa with a hipped corrugated galvanised steel roof and a bullnose front verandah. The verandah is supported on turned timber posts and has a cast iron valance (non-original). Behind the verandah is a symmetrical facade which contains a six-panel timber door, flanked on either side by tripartite timber-framed, double-hung sash windows. The external walls also contain a number of stained glass windows, salvaged from a variety of demolition sites in Melbourne. Two brick chimneys have been demolished.

The property also contains a number of early or original outbuildings including a corrugated galvanised steel clad former dairy.

**Physical Condition and/or Archaeological Potential**

Good

Usage Residence.

Associated People

**Historical Notes**

This house dates from c.1900. It was for many years the home of the early district doctor, Dr J C Baird. Baird's practice covered a large geographic area, including Cowes, San Remo, Bass, Grantville and Dalyston. Dr Baird was active in many community affairs, serving as a Justice of the Peace, Health Officer for the Shire of Phillip Island and Woolamai, as well as being active in the local cricket club.

**Historic Themes****Thematic Environmental History**

13.5□ From Bark Huts to Bungalows: The earliest settlers, both squatters and selectors, had to clear the land before they constructed the first homes - these were usually bark huts. Timber had to be cut from the forests before any houses could be built. Bricks had to be made locally, and houses constructed of brick were more rare than those timber constructions. In the Bass Valley, fashions in housing followed those of the city, though sometimes a time-lag in fashion existed. Throughout the Shire, remnant and extant huts, farmhouses and Victorian cottages, as well as Edwardian, inter-War, 1940-50s houses and later, contemporary designs can be found.

**14.3□ Health**

In the early days of settlement of South West Gippsland, the number of resident local doctors was limited, and many of them travelled far and wide to make routine calls to attend to all manner of medical conditions, including farming accidents. Up until the end of the nineteenth century hospital care was limited, and few country hospitals existed. Midwives often delivered babies in the mother's own home. From the nineteenth century, hospitals had traditionally been available either for the deserving poor or exclusively for the wealthier classes. The nature of hospital care changed in the 1920s when more 'immediate care' hospitals became available for those who could afford to pay for hospital services. The importance of this movement is evident in the donation of a local Cowes homestead by local residents to the residents of Phillip Island in the 1920s. Today, the Bass Coast Shire supports only three hospitals including a large, modern public hospital in Cowes. The South Gippsland Division of General Practice, founded in 1993, currently operates eleven medical practices in the Shire.

**Findings****References**

Author	Title	Year	Shelf	Location
Margaret Rixon, pers comm.		2004		

**Conservation Plans****Owner Type****Section 32 Recommendation****Owners/Occupants/Managers****Other Notes****Application Detail****Adviser Comments****Planning Scheme Amendments****Overlay Controls****Planning Scheme Schedule**

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External Paint Controls?

No

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