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# Houses



7 Latham Street



9 Latham Street



7-9 Latham Street.jpg

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## Location

7 Latham Street and 9 Latham Street IVANHOE, BANYULE CITY

## Municipality

BANYULE CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO174

## Heritage Listing

Banyule City

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## Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The houses at 7 and 9 Latham Street, Ivanhoe built in 1890, are of significance.

How is it significant?

7 and 9 Latham Street are of aesthetic and historic significance to the City of Banyule.

Why is it significant?

7 and 9 Latham Street are historically and aesthetically significant as good examples of intact Italianate villas, which are uncommon within the Banyule area. (Criteria A, B & D)

No. 9 Latham street was designed by architects de Garis & Son, who probably also designed No. 7. (Criterion E)

7 Latham Street is historically significant for its association with the Latham family and, in particular, with the former member for Kooyong, John Latham who went on to serve both as Attorney General, Leader of the Opposition in the Federal Parliament and as Chief Justice of the High Court. Unsurprisingly, Latham's influence in the fields of both politics and law was substantial and he remained a powerful, and somewhat divisive figure, throughout the mid part of the 20th century. (Criteria A & H)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Banyule - Banyule Heritage Review, Context P/L, 2009; Banyule - Banyule Heritage Study, Allum Lovell & Associates, 1999; Banyule - Heidelberg Conservation Study, Graeme Butler and Associates, 1985;
Architect/Designer	De Garis, Frederick & Son,
Hermes Number	124124
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

Nos. 7 and 9 Latham Street are relatively intact Italianate villas characterised by asymmetrical design with faceted bay and return verandah with skillion roof. Both buildings have stuccoed exteriors and corrugated iron roof. They are highly decorative houses, with cast-iron frieze work, eave brackets, segmental arched windows and chimneys with bracketed eaves.

It should be noted, however, that the Heidelberg Conservation Study completed in 1985 found that while no. 7 had retained its original decorative scheme, the house at no. 9 had been stripped of all such features. This indicates that the decoration now present at no. 9 is a modern re-instatement of the original scheme.

Victorian Italianate houses, are uncommon in the City of Banyule.

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