
Captain Robert Fullarton' House



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Location

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Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO50

Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The Captain Robert Fullarton house, constructed prior to 1857, at 25 Cecil Street, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

The Captain Robert Fullarton house at 25 Cecil Street, Williamstown is of local historic, social and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is significant as one of the oldest houses in the municipality and one of a relatively small number of pre-1860 houses within the metropolitan area. It was the home of two important persons in 19th century Williamstown, Fullarton and Dobney, who represent between them the two major economic influences of the municipality on the metropolis, that of the maritime and railway industries. (AHC criteria A4 and H1)

Aesthetically, it is significant as an altered but early timber dwelling with rare details such as the French doors which to contribute to the historic character of Cecil Street. (AHC criteria E1 and F1).

Heritage Study/Consultant Hobsons Bay - Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Hobsons Bay City Council, 2006;

Other Names 'Captain Robert Fullarton' House,

Hermes Number 14979

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The house at 25 Cecil Street, Williamstown is a double fronted weatherboarded (beaded) cottage with an iron clad hip roof, a four panel door and three high top light. Changes to the original fabric include:

- The verandah and front fence are not original, but are related.
- The guttering has been replaced with non-original profiles
- The original architraved French doors (Refer to image in the 1993 *City of Williamstown Conservation Study*) have been partly sheeted over or replaced with double hung sash windows. The original doors were rare and were compared to similarly modest seaside dwellings such as Wood Cot Park, Tarraville and the Linforth house, Palmerston (6)

6 Butler, G. *Port Albert Conservation Study*

Integrity

External Integrity and condition

Integrity - Moderate to Low. *Condition* - Good

Physical Description 2

Context

Set in a generally later context (c1915-20), it shares frontages width, set-back and materials.

Historical Australian Themes

Making Suburbs, Maritime industries

Physical Description 3

Associations

Captain Robert Fullarton, Robert Young, Giles Dobney

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