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# "Barrabool", house

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## Location

13 Pepperdine Way, HIGHTON VIC 3216 - Property No 235393

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO106

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The single storey brick residence 'Barrabool' at 13 Pepperdine Way, Highton, is of unknown origins but possibly erected as early as 1855-60 for Lewis Conran. The residence was established by 1861, being shown as the abode of WH Bonsey, Public Magistrate on Andrew McWilliams map of the Barrabool locality of that date. The original verandah has been removed and the exterior and interior substantially modified by relatively recent alterations and improvements. The colonial Georgian style residence, which dates from the earliest period of settlement in the Geelong region, had interesting associations with Conran and Bonsey, an early Geelong magistrate.

### RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Geelong Regional Commission Register

### REFERENCES

The history of 'Barrabool' remains largely undocumented. The exact date of construction is unknown but can be reliably dated prior to 1861. Several tender notices for brick or stone houses at unspecified locations in the Barrabool Hills are recorded in the files of the Geelong Advertiser for the period 1855-60. The name of the proprietor, on whose behalf the tenders have been advertised, is generally not listed in these tender notices. The most likely tender notice is recorded as Geelong Advertiser 24th January, 1855 'tenders for a brick house with stone foundations on the Barrabool Hills. Apply FM Moore, Engineer and Architect, Herne Hill, Newtown' but the information and location is inconclusive.

Brownhill, WR - A History of Geelong and Corio Bay, Melbourne 1955 pp.98, 364,513,528. for references to WH Bonsey and LC Conan.

'Parish of Barrabool 1861' - Map of the parish prepared by Andrew McWilliams, engineer to the Barrabool District Roads Board August 1861 - original map and book held by Shire of Barrabool. Copy, enlarged and simplified by JW Meehan, Geelong, February 1970 shows 'Barrabool' as residence of WH Bonsey.

Geelong Historical Society Investigator 1965-66 Volume 1 Section 5, p4 for details of Lewis Conran.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, Allan Willingham, 1986;
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