

Aphrasia Street Heritage Area

Location

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Municipality

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1627

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Aphrasia Street Heritage Area is distinguished by historically wealthy residential areas and private schools situated on the crest and slopes of the Newtown hill. This area is dominated by a mixture of early and late Victorian, Edwardian and later residential development with associated educational and religious buildings. The foci in the area is Geelong College with its buildings and open space areas and vista to Sacred Heart College.

The area is characterised by predominantly large single and two-storey decorative timber and brick houses dating from the 1850's to the 1920's, representing the architectural quality of housing development in Newtown. Many of the houses in this precinct are particularly grand and represent the lifestyles and tastes of some of Geelong's wealthier families during the twentieth century and together create an area of architectural significance.

How is it significant?

The Aphrasia Street Heritage Precinct is of historical cultural heritage significance to the City of Greater Geelong for its historical significance, architectural representativeness and aesthetic significance.

Why is it significant?

The Aphrasia Street Heritage Precinct is of architectural significance for its building diversity and quality representing a wide range of the residential styles evident in Newtown, and containing a number of individually important buildings, some of the finest in the Geelong region. The retention of traditional street features and trees demonstrates the qualities inherent in a relatively intact streetscape. (Criteria D and E)

The Aphrasia Street Heritage Precinct is historical significance as an embodiment of family life during the Victorian and Edwardian periods. Notably some of the residential buildings in Noble Street have strong associations with the Geelong Wool Industry. (Criterion A)

Overall, the Aphrasia Street Heritage Precinct is of **LOCAL** significance.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Greater Geelong - City of Newtown Urban Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1991; |
| Hermes Number | 22129 |
| Property Number | |

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