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# BLUESTONE COTTAGE

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## Location

Macarthur-Penshurst Road PENSHURST, Southern Grampians Shire

## Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

## Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Bluestone cottage located on the north side of the Macarthur-Penshurst Road, about 1.5kms west of the township of Penshurst, is a small vernacular building of two rooms, possibly dating from the 1850s. There has been a small timber extension to the north, and at the rear there is a small brick outbuilding which is close to collapse. The buildings are in poor and ruinous condition, but retain a high degree of integrity.

How is it significant?

The Bluestone Cottage in the Macarthur-Penshurst Road is of historical significance to the Southern Grampians shire and to the township of Penshurst.

Why is it significant?

The Bluestone Cottage in the Macarthur-Penshurst Road is of historical significance as an example of the small landholdings and farms surrounding the early townships of the Shire. It provides us with information and evidence of a past way of life.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;
Construction dates	1850,

Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	23372
Property Number	

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## Physical Conditions

The cottage is in very poor condition and has been crudely repaired on the north side. The outbuilding is ruinous and a dangerous condition.

## Physical Description 1

The bluestone cottage located on Section 14, Allotment 47 is a small two roomed single storey bluestone cottage. The hipped roof is covered with corrugated iron. The windows are casements, suggesting an early date. There has been a small timber extension to the north. A verandah, possibly not original, has been demolished. Towards the rear there is a small brick outbuilding which is close to collapse.

## Historical Australian Themes

Theme 8 Developing Australia's cultural life  
 8.12 Living in and around Australian homes  
 8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

## Usage/Former Usage

vacant and abandoned

## Integrity

good degree of integrity

## Physical Description 2

David Page, labourer, first owner of the land.

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