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## FRONT FENCE



47 Shaftesbury Pde - Front Fence

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### Location

47 SHAFTESBURY PARADE, THORNBURY, DAREBIN CITY

### Municipality

DAREBIN CITY

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO292

### Heritage Listing

Darebin City

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### Statement of Significance

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#### *What is significant?*

The interwar brick fence at 47 Shaftesbury Parade, Thornbury, is significant. It comprises six piers with tapered capping and a decorative crown. The fence is likely to have been constructed in c.1920, in the same period as the Californian Bungalow also on the same property. The woven wire, rolled or forged steel gates may also be from the same period as the fence and house.

While the fence is complemented by the inter-war house, the house itself is not significant.

*How is it significant?*

The fence at 47 Shaftesbury Parade, Thornbury, is of local historic significance to Darebin City.

*Why is it significant?*

Historically, the fence at 47 Shaftesbury Parade, Thornbury, is significant as a rare surviving, and largely intact example of an inter-war garden element with fine architectural detailing within Darebin. The style of the fence is representative of inter-war style fencing that used face-brick work and cement rendered details and while other fences of this era survive this example is notable for its unusual detailing. (AHC Criteria B.2, D.2)

Heritage Study/Consultant Darebin - Darebin Heritage Study, Context P/L, 2011;

Construction dates 1920,

Hermes Number 27329

Property Number

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## Physical Description 1

The fence to 47 Shaftesbury Parade, Thornbury forms the property's front (street boundary). The fence is likely to have been constructed at a similar time as the interwar Californian Bungalow residence at No. 47. (Other similar style residences characterise this street.) The fence to 47 Shaftesbury Parade is of face brick construction with tapered, cement rendered capping to each of the six piers and wall sections (four bays). Each of the six piers is topped with a single decorative segmented sphere, or crown, oriental in influence. These decorative elements of the fence are unusual in the context of the local area. The pair of woven wire, rolled or forged steel driveway gates could also be original and locally made (Melbourne).

The fence is most likely original and highly intact. It is in good condition with the exception of a missing tip to two of the decorative 'crowns' which sit above the tapered capping on each of the six piers. The house and fence are likely to have been constructed at a similar time. Both are in good condition and, as a whole, have high integrity.

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