

Cambridge Street Area

Location

Cambridge Street ARMADALE, Stonnington City

Municipality

STONNINGTON CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO125

Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

Statement of Significance

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The four allotments bounded by Dandenong Road, Kooyong Road, High Street and Orrong Road were sold at the Crown land Sale of 15 May 1850. Allotment 66 (part of which now forms Cambridge Street) was purchased by James Jackson. This allotment was re-subdivided several times starting with a sale on 15 October 1881 with allotments becoming successively smaller until the tight layout of Cambridge Street was established. The thirty-two allotments were all developed simultaneously by the erection in 1887-88 of identical single-storey detached timber cottages. The street, known at this stage as Oxford Street, thus achieved a degree of architectural unity not found elsewhere in the municipality. Oxford Street was renamed Cambridge Street in 1892, presumably to avoid confusion with Oxford Street, South Yarra.

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(Prahran Conservation Study 1998)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Stonnington - Prahran Conservation Study Identification of Buildings & Areas of Major Significance, Nigel Lewis & Associates, 1983;
Construction dates	1887,
Architect/Designer	Ellerker, William H,
Other Names	Cambridge Street, Armadale,
Hermes Number	30703
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

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Local Historical Themes

8.5.1 'Struggletown' - working-class housing in the nineteenth and early twentieth century 8.2.4 Gentrification - creating a new middle class

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