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# ALLTHREA



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## Location

17 HARRIET STREET, TOORA, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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### What is significant?

'Allthrea' at 17 Harriet Street, Toora was built in 1905, for the Lawrence family, is significant. This weatherboard Federation villa with hipped roof includes two chimneys, large windows and a verandah with simple bracket decorations. There is a projecting gable to the East and a pair of gablets (in line on the roof and the verandah) to the North of the building.

Non-original alterations and additions, other than those specified above, are not significant.

### How is it significant?

'Allthrea' at 17 Harriet Street, Toora, is of local historic and aesthetic significant to the South Gippsland Shire.

### Why is it significant?

Historically, this building was used as a private hospital from 1929-1933, before a purpose-built Bush Nursing Hospital was opened on Welshpool Road. Records suggest that this building housed a hospital that was not approved by the medical community due to the lack of appropriate qualifications. This building illustrates the early

development of health services within the Shire and the important role of hospitals within communities across the region, in particular Toora. This building also demonstrates the development of Toora. (Criterion A)  
Aesthetically, this building represents an intact example of a federation-interwar transitional bungalow. Majority of the building has federation-style features but the decorations and windows are simplified in the interwar style. This building contributes to the aesthetic and historic character of Toora. (Criterion E)

## Theme

2. Peopling Victoria's places and landscapes 5. Building Victoria's industries and workforce 6. Building towns cities and the garden state 8. Building community life

Heritage Study/Consultant	South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor Westmore, 2004;
Construction dates	1905, 1905, 1905,
Other Names	House, Toora Bush Nursing Hospital, Title, thematic, Former private hospital,
Hermes Number	31004
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

'Allthrea' at 17 Harriet Street, Toora is Federation symmetrical timber villa with a M-hip roof, and separate straight verandah across the facade supported by timber posts with arched timber brackets. Both the main roof and the verandah have a central gablet with decorative timber trusswork. There is one corbelled brick chimney.

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