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# ASHMEAD



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## Location

43-45 Grimshaw Street GREENSBOROUGH, Banyule City

## Municipality

BANYULE CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO102

## Heritage Listing

Banyule City

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## Statement of Significance

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**SIGNIFICANCE** Ashmead is a distinctive and well-preserved example of the English Domestic Revival style. The house is considerably enhanced by its mature and largely intact original inter-War garden. It is of local historical significance in connection with the Cordner family who practised medicine from the house for almost thirty years.

Heritage Study/Consultant Banyule - Banyule Heritage Study, Allum Lovell & Associates, 1999;

Hermes Number 31273

Property Number

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## Usage/Former Usage

Original Use: Residence

Current Use: Residence

## Physical Conditions

Good

## Physical Description 1

**BUILDING:** Ashmead is a large two-storey residence designed in the inter-War English Domestic Revival style. The house is rendered and has gabled terracotta tiled roofs. It possesses typical characteristics of the style including half timbering, shuttered multi-paned windows, tall brick chimneys with terracotta chimney pots and basketweave clinker brickwork in the gable ends. **LANDSCAPE:** The garden at Ashmead is typical of the inter-War period. The corner site is well screened by a clipped Monterey Cypress (*Cupressus macrocarpa*) hedge. The garden contains a number of mature trees including two Lombardy Poplar (*Populus nigra 'Italica'*) and two Peppercorns (*Schinus molle*) planted on the Grimshaw Street (northern) side of the garden. A mature Common Oak (*Quercus robur*) also forms a notable specimen. A number of fruit trees are located at the southern end of the property, and are likely to be contemporary with the original garden. The garden features a number of large shrubs such as *Camellia japonica* cultivars which may be later additions, but are appropriate to the period of the garden. Paths throughout the garden are of random stone paving. A series of low stone terraces defines garden beds and lawn areas, typical of the era. The main pedestrian access from Eldale Avenue features a brick piered pergola topped with timber beams. The gates are of wrought iron with a wire mesh insert. A tennis court is situated immediately to the south of the house, and is raised on a brick platform, to cope with the sloping block.

The garden appears to be largely intact and features many elements typical of the inter-War period, providing a suitable setting for a notable local house.

## Intactness

Good

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