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# HOLYROOD

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## Location

22 THE GROVE,, COBURG VIC 3058 - Property No 21388

## Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO173

## Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

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## Statement of Significance

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Holyrood is of local architectural and historical significance. It is a relatively intact example of one of the houses probably built by Thomas Crouch for local property speculator, Montague Dare. It is one of the more intact examples of boom-time architecture dating from Coburg's heyday as an elite area of northern Melbourne.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - City of Coburg Heritage Conservation & Streetscape Study, Timothy Hubbard Pty Ltd, 1991; Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999;
Construction dates	1889,
Architect/Designer	Crouch, TJ,
Other Names	House, Individual,
Hermes Number	59116
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

Holyrood is a single story double fronted Italianate villa on an L-shaped plan, with a tower projecting on the east elevation. It has timber walls, in imitation of ashlar, and a hipped slate roof, bracketed beneath the eaves, and four brick chimneys with rendered caps. The return verandah has a bullnose profile and is clad in corrugated iron with the original slender Corinthian columns and the majority of the cast iron lace frieze. The tower is also clad in timber, in imitation of ashlar, and has a steep pyramidal slate roof, surmounted by a delicate iron finial. The house has double hung timber sash windows and a square bay window with a corrugated iron roof on the north elevation.

The garden retains its original timber picket fence and remnants of vegetation including a large Canary Island Date Palm (*Phoenix Canariensis*).

Key Architectural Elements: single storey timber Italianate villa  
imitation ashlar timber facade  
unusual pyramidal roof above entrance  
original slate roof with face brick and unpainted render chimneys  
original corrugated iron roof and cast iron lacework frieze to verandah  
original timber picket fence

Comparative Examples: Ormsby, 11 The Grove, Coburg

Principal Historic Themes: significant phases in the development of towns and suburbs; 19th century speculative building activity  
association with individuals or families

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