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1 dwelling 8 glenelg street
portland front view

Location

8 GLENELG STREET PORTLAND, GLENELG SHIRE

Municipality

GLENELG SHIRE

Level of significance

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0727

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO43

VHR Registration

September 6, 1989

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 28, 1999

This cottage at No.8 Glenelg Street, Portland is one of the oldest surviving buildings in what is Victoria's oldest settlement (1834). The building is a double fronted timber cottage and is shown on town maps dating from 1853, although it is almost certainly older than this. The land was sold to William Douglas, a pioneer Portland businessman and settler in 1840. The cottage is constructed as a timber balloon frame with its Tasmanian-style wide-sawn weatherboard cladding and timber shingles under a corrugated iron roof which is a later addition. The weatherboards on the main cottage structure are original.

No.8 Glenelg Street, Portland is of architectural and historic importance for the following reasons:

- as one of the oldest surviving structures in Portland, generally regarded as the first permanent European settlement in what became Victoria (1834).
- as a primitive weatherboard cottage of the pre-gold rush era which is believed to have been built on land purchased at the auctions of October 1840 by William Douglas, a pioneer Portland settler and businessman.
- its architectural features of wide-sawn weatherboard cladding, timber shingle roof and continuous roof and verandah roof line which are characteristic of the early structures of this important early town.

Permit Exemptions

General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must [notify](#) the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Construction dates	1853,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	945
Property Number	

Extent of Registration

AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 727, 8 Glenelg Street, Portland, to the extent of all of the buildings and the land hatched which is entered in the Register Book in the Title Memorial Number 157 Book 505.

[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. G35 6 September 1989 p.2299]

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>