
House and Mud Brick outbuildings, 20-26 Main Street (Western Highway), GREAT WESTERN



GW 13 - Shire of Northern Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage Study, 2004

Location

20-26 Main Street GREAT WESTERN, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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The timber house and two mud brick buildings, together with the exotic (including fruit) and native trees, 20-26 Main Street (Western Highway), Great Western, have significance as a relatively externally intact example of Late Victorian buildings associated with a Mr. Thomlinson, bee keeper and orchardist. The design of the house suggests that it and possibly the mud brick outbuildings, were constructed in the late 19th or early 20th century.

The timber house and two mud brick buildings are **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. The house, although altered and extended, still demonstrates original or appropriate design qualities of a Late Victorian style. These qualities include the double hipped (M) roof form, together with a later hip and bullnosed verandah that

projects towards the front and side. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the hipped verandah at the rear, asymmetrical composition, single storey height, unpainted red brick chimney with a multi-corbelled top, and the narrow eaves. The mud brick outbuildings (with introduced cement render) are significant for their wall construction, hipped roof forms, timber framed four paned double hung windows, timber framed doorways and narrow eaves. The exotic trees (including the fruit) and the native trees also contribute to the significance of the place.

The timber house and two mud brick buildings are **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. They are associated with the development of Mr. Thomlinson's orchard and bee keeping enterprise from at least the early 20th century.

Overall, the timber house and two mud brick buildings at 20-26 Main Street (Western Highway) are of **LOCAL** significance.

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Physical Description 1

The timber house and two mud brick buildings, 20-26 Main Street (Western Highway), Great Western, are set on a large residential/rural allotment. These buildings have substantial setbacks from Main Street (approximately 15 metres), with a side setback fronting Brunel Street of approximately 3 metres. The site is well-treed with both exotics (including fruit trees) and natives. The property is bound by a steel stake and wire fence, approximately 1200 mm high.

The asymmetrical, single storey, horizontal weatherboard, Late Victorian/Edwardian styled house is characterised by a double hipped (M) roof form, together with a later hip and bullnosed verandah that projects towards the front and side. There is also a hipped verandah at the rear. These roof forms are clad in galvanised corrugated iron overpainted green, although the projecting addition and bullnosed verandah are unpainted. An early unpainted red brick chimney with a multi-corbelled top adorns the roofline. Narrow overhangs are features of the eaves.

To the south-west of the house is a small, rudimentary, cement rendered mud brick building. It has a hipped roof form clad in galvanised corrugated iron and narrow eaves. There is an early timber framed four paned double hung window and early doorway.

To the west of the house is another, slightly larger cement rendered mud brick building. It has a longitudinal hipped roof form clad in galvanised corrugated iron.

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