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## Location

361 BEACONSFIELD PARADE ST KILDA, PORT PHILLIP CITY

## Municipality

PORT PHILLIP CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0669

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO58

## VHR Registration

November 18, 1987

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 28, 1999

Shandon was built in 1884-85 in the Italianate style usual at the time. However, it shows some very uncommon architectural features. Of considerable significance is the uneven arcading. This is a direct reference to the Italian Romanesque Pistoia Cathedral but utilising a Renaissance vocabulary. (Moondah, now called Manyung at Mount Eliza, is another, but less direct example).

The extended height and double curve of the roof emphasise the arches. Also rare is the notion of a "piano nobile" created by the curving staircase and semi-basement. This lower level being well finished may have been used as summer accommodation. No architect has been identified as the designer. A notable internal feature is the coloured glass doorway in the upper hall. It combines Gothic arches within a semi circle. Otherwise the interiors are conventional.

The house was built for James Dunlea, a merchant, who lived there until his death in 1894. His widow lived in the house from 1902 until 1905. The house has been associated with Sigismund Jacoby, a former mayor of St Kilda as well as Hyman Levinson and other members of the Jewish community. For many years it was divided into flats, a typical fate for St Kilda mansions. It remains as one of the few surviving sea front residences of fashionable St Kilda. The stables survive at the rear. New flats have been constructed between the house and the stables. The house remains largely intact.

[Source: Report to the Minister]

## 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        1884,

Heritage Act Categories   Registered place,

Hermes Number 1094

Property Number

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## History

Associated People: Assoc.People SIGISMUND JACOBY, HYMAN LEVINSON

## Extent of Registration

AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Shandon, 361 Beaconsfield Road, West St Kilda to the extent of the whole of the original house and stables and the whole of the land described in Certificate of Title (Volume 6184 Folio 682).

[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. G45 18 November 1987 p. 3103]

*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/>*