

---

## St Heliers



12 Cox's Garden, Hobsons Bay Heritage Study 2006



12 Cox's Garden, Hobsons Bay Heritage Study 2006

---

### Location

12 Cox's Garden WILLIAMSTOWN, Hobsons Bay City

### Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

### Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0560

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO78

### Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

---

### Statement of Significance

Last updated on -

What is Significant?

'St Heliers', constructed c.1855, at 12 Cox's Garden, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

'St Heliers' at 12 Cox's Garden, Williamstown is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is significant as one of the oldest timber houses in Melbourne and demonstrates the early development of Williamstown. It is also notable for its strong associations with the maritime industry, which distinguishes Williamstown in the metropolitan area. (AHC criteria A4 and D2)

Aesthetically, it is significant as a near original, very early example of a simple timber house, which is notable for its rare timber decorative detailing. It makes a significant contribution to the historic character of the Cox's Garden residential precinct. (AHC criteria E1 and F1)

*Note: Included on the Victorian Heritage Register as VHR H560.*

Heritage Study/Consultant	Hobsons Bay - Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Hobsons Bay City Council, 2006;
Construction dates	1855,
Other Names	St Heliers,
Hermes Number	15007
Property Number	

---

## Physical Description 1

A double-fronted, originally two-roomed, simple-hip roofed wide-boarded house with iron roof cladding, spiked ogee-profile gutters, a hipped concave-profile timber verandah which is set on the street alignment and characteristic valence ornament consisting of fretted timber in pierced and arched designs. Four pane window sashes and fine moulded architraves are further details and a skillion has added more rooms at the rear.

The house was restored and partly reconstructed when the two level rear addition was added in the 1990s.

## Integrity

External Integrity and condition

*Integrity* - Moderate to High. *Condition* - Good

## Physical Description 2

Context

A contributory element to an important early residential precinct.

## Historical Australian Themes

Making Suburbs

### **Physical Description 3**

*Associations*

David Randall, Henry Robinson

*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/>*