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# "The Heights" Residence including interior

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## Location

140 Aphrasia Street, NEWTOWN VIC 3220 - Property No 200412

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0429

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO157

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

"The Heights" is a superbly sited homestead complex, originally built in a rural setting to command spectacular views over the Barwon River and the distant Corio Bay. The property is of considerable historical importance having gradually evolved since 1855 under the direction of noted Geelong merchant and benefactor, Charles Ibbotson, and his direct descendants, daughter Minna and grandson Louis M Whyte. The earliest timber structure is of significance to the history of building technology.

### RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Geelong Regional Commission Register

### REFERENCES

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Geelong Advertiser - 24th September, 1862, Tender notice for works at Charles Ibbotson's residence, Newtown Hill, called by JL Shaw, 14th December, 1863, similar notice.

State Library of Victoria, Historic Picture collection, contains a copy of the Sale by Tender notice of The Heights c 1888.

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Huddle, Lorraine - "the Heights" - "Newtown" Conservation Analysis for the National Trust of Australia Victoria, 1985. for a detailed history of the buildings Complex.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - City of Newtown Urban Conservation Study, Richard Peterson, 1997;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	15390
Property Number	

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