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## Plane street tree



HO155 - Plane Street Tree,  
near 34 Somerville Road,  
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### Location

34 Somerville Road, YARRAVILLE VIC 3013 - Property No 4087004600

### Municipality

MARIBYRNONG CITY

### Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO155

### Heritage Listing

Maribyrnong City

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### Statement of Significance

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This plane street tree is significant to the City of Maribyrnong:

- as a remnant of the early 20th century street tree planting regime, parallel with the renewed prosperity of the area in the Edwardian-era (Criterion A4); and
- as a remnant of a street tree planting program which was once widespread but has been severely reduced over time within the City (Criterion B2).

## Australian Heritage Commission (AHC) criteria

The Australian Heritage Commission criteria consist of a set of eight criteria which cover social, aesthetic, scientific, and historic values. Each criterion has sub-criteria written specifically for cultural or natural values. The relevant criteria are:

A.4 demonstrates well the course and pattern of history, important historic events

B.2 rarity

Heritage Study/Consultant	Maribyrnong - Maribyrnong Heritage Review, Jill Barnard, Graeme Butler, Francine Gilfedder & Gary Vines, 2000;
Construction dates	1900,
Other Names	`Platanus orientalis',
Hermes Number	29444
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

One mature broad canopied plane street tree (`Platanus orientalis') in Fairlie Street at side frontage of 34 Somerville Road. The Platanus genus of 6 species of `large, vigorous, wide- crowned, deciduous trees from Eurasia, North America and Mexico contains some of the world's largest deciduous shade trees for dry-summer climates, many of which are widely used as street trees. The trees are called planes or plane trees in some countries, sycamores in others. The most conspicuous feature is the flaking, mottled bark, which is shed in winter. The 5 lobed leaves are large and maple like and the brown seed balls hang in clusters on the trees in winter. The flowers are insignificant {Botanica}.

## Physical Conditions

good (partially disturbed, well preserved)

## Integrity

partially intact/intrusions

## Physical Description 2

Context

In an Edwardian-era residential area, near an individually significant Edwardian-era house.

## Historical Australian Themes

## Thematic context

**Australian Principal Theme** Developing cultural institutions and ways of life

**PAHT Subtheme** Creating public landscape

**Local Theme(s)** Developing Local Government

### Physical Description 3

**Map (Melway)** 42B8

**Boundary description** The tree and sufficient land around it to allow for root zone and canopy protection, nominally 1m beyond the drip line, root zone or canopy perimeter whichever is the greatest.

**Heritage Significance** City

**Creation date(s)** 1900-15c

**Local Government Area** City of Maribyrnong

**Ownership Type** Public

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