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## Cunningham & Oxford Streets Precinct



48 Capitol Bakery



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### Location

Cunningham Street corner Oxford Street SOUTH YARRA, Stonnington City

### Municipality

STONNINGTON CITY

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO128

### Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

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## Statement of Significance

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The Cunningham Street Urban Conservation Area has significance as a coherent nineteenth century workers' housing area, with early and later terraces, and other forms of modest housing. It represents an important aspect of Prahran's development, of increased significance due to the loss of other areas once also containing typical nineteenth century housing.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Stonnington - Prahran Conservation Study Identification of Buildings & Areas of Major Significance, Nigel Lewis & Associates, 1983; Stonnington - Conservation Review City of Prahran Volume 3: Urban Conservation Areas, Context Pty Ltd, 1993;
Construction dates	1850,
Other Names	Cunningham Street, South Yarra,
Hermes Number	30729
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

This area, set between Toorak Road and the railway line contains workers' housing dating from the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. There are several extensive terraces within the area notably that on Palermo Street backing onto the railway line, three terraces opposite in Palermo Street and other terraces and pairs in Cunningham Street. There are also detached timber cottages within this streetscape. The area contains some interesting and unusual terrace house types. However, most houses are representative and typical of the period rather than outstanding examples.

The street retains its traditional materials, that is asphalt and bluestone but traffic management measures have created large kerb outstands and a small grassy park on the corner of Cunningham and Palermo Streets. The street plantings are mixed and lack the substantial character to add to the streetscape. They include some large Melaleucas and smaller Prunus probably dating from post-war plantings.

## Local Historical Themes

8.5.1 'Struggletown' - working-class housing in the nineteenth and early twentieth century 6.2.2 Food Processing

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