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# Four Oaks

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## Location

13 Cardigan Street, ENDEAVOUR HILLS, Casey City

## Municipality

CASEY CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO70

## Heritage Listing

Casey City

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## Statement of Significance

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### What is significant?

'Four Oaks', comprising the dwelling constructed c.1888 and two surviving oak trees, at 13 Cardigan Street and their canopies, which extend onto land at 10 & 12 Aldridge Street (part) ,Endeavour Hills is significant.

### How is it significant?

'Four Oaks' is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Casey.

### Why is it significant?

Historically, the house at 'Four Oaks' is significant as the original farm homestead on the large Grassmere Estate and illustrates the early pastoral development of this area. It was most probably built for Dr. John Tremearne, owner in 1883, of the site that was once part of Power's pastoral run. It was sold in 1888 at the height of the land boom and is now surrounded by the suburban Endeavour Hills. (AHC criteria A4, D2 and H1)

Aesthetically, 'Four Oaks' is significant as a now rare example of an early Victorian weatherboard villa within the Endeavour Hills area. Whilst the house has lost its original landscape context it still retains many late Victorian

architectural features and, most significantly, two of the four oaks after which it was named, including the extensive canopies which are located over land at 10 & 12 Aldridge Street next door. (AHC criterion E1)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Casey - Casey Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Select Review of Casey Heritage Places, Review of sites for proposed Heritage Anomalies Amendment, Context Pty. Ltd., 2018;
Hermes Number	63053
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

Facing away from its current street entrance, Four Oaks remains today as a symmetrical villa centred on a half acre block. The property contains two large oaks indicating the position of the former oak-lined driveway from Heatherton Road (1). A majority of the house appears to date from the Victorian era, as indicated by the ornate central doorway. Boxed triple-light windows with central fixed panes are later additions, as are weatherboard additions at the side of the verandah. Internally there are features of note, including an old fireplace in the former kitchen plus ceiling cornices and roses, all dating from late last century.

### Source

1. Information supplied by R. Pease.

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