
Former Store, 96 Main Street, GREAT WESTERN



GW 24 - Shire of Northern
Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage
Study, 2004

Location

96 Main Street GREAT WESTERN, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - July 16, 2004

The former store, 96 Main Street, Great Western, contributes to the significant, single storey, pitched roof central township area. This building also has significance as an intact example of an interwar Bungalow style, and was possibly constructed by the 1940s for Norm Houston.

The former store, 96 Main Street, is **historically** and **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with commercial developments in Great Western in the interwar period (1920s-40s) and it demonstrates original design qualities of an interwar Bungalow style. These qualities include the recessed hipped roof form, together with a gable roof and broken back and skillion verandahs. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the asymmetrical composition, single storey height, horizontal weatherboard wall cladding, galvanised corrugated iron roof cladding (overpainted grey), modest eaves with exposed timber rafters, timber framed double

hung window and timber framed doorway under the broken back verandah, panelled timber and glazed door and multi-paned timber framed shopfront and shingling under the skillion, and the timber verandah columns.

Overall, the former store, 96 Main Street, is of **LOCAL** significance.

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Physical Description 1

The former store, 96 Main Street, Great Western, is visually connected with other significant single storey, commercial buildings in the central township area, all of which take up the four corner allotments on the Main Street (Western Highway) and Cubitt Street intersection. This building is set on an average-sized allotment, with the projecting part forming the front boundary. A timber picket fence, approximately 1200 mm high, together with a similarly-designed fence, approximately 1800 mm high, forms the remainder of the front boundary.

The single storey, asymmetrical, horizontal weatherboard, interwar Bungalow styled former store is characterised by a recessed hipped roof form, together with a gable roof and broken back and skillion verandahs (supported by timber columns) that project towards the street frontage. These roof forms are clad in lapped galvanised corrugated iron overpainted in grey. Modest overhangs and exposed timber rafters are features of the eaves.

The timber framed double hung window under the broken back verandah and the timber framed doorway represent other early features of the design. The panelled timber and glazed door under the skillion also appears to be early, as does the multi-paned timber framed shopfront window with shingling below.

The skillion wing at the side of the building appears to be a later addition, as is the timber wine barrel that projects from it.

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.

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