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Location

54 Queens Avenue ST ARNAUD, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

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Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 18, 2004

The house at 54 Queens Avenue makes a significant contribution to the predominantly single storey, Victorian styled streetscape. The Victorian style of the house suggests that it was constructed in the late 19th or early 20th century.

Although slightly altered, the house at 54 Queens Avenue is **historically** and **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with residential developments in St. Arnaud in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, and it demonstrates original design qualities of a Victorian style. These qualities include the asymmetrical and triple fronted composition, single storey height, series of hipped roof forms that traverse the site, and bullnosed return verandah. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the galvanised corrugated iron roof cladding, horizontal weatherboard wall cladding, brick chimney with a corbelled top, narrow eaves with timber brackets and decorative diamond panelling and paterae, the front and side timber framed, triple light,

double hung windows with timber window brackets below their sills, the bracketed timber drip mould above the rear side window, the main recessed entrance with four panelled timber door and timber framed side and toplights, the secondary timber framed doorway, the cast iron verandah decoration (valances and brackets) and the turned timber verandah columns.

Overall, the house at 54 Queens Avenue is of **LOCAL** significance.

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Physical Description 1

The site at 54 Queens Avenue has visual connections with the significant, predominantly Victorian styled, single storey residential streetscape and the house on this site is generally in accord with the form, style, setbacks and construction of these houses. The Victorian style of this house suggests that it was constructed in the late 19th or early 20th century.

The house at 54 Queens Avenue has a typical frontage of approximately 5 metres, and typical narrow side setbacks with a side driveway. The front yard is predominantly plain in character, apart from some recent garden beds near the house and the grassed surface.

The asymmetrical, triple fronted, single storey, Victorian styled house is characterised by a series of hipped roof forms that traverse the site, with a minor hipped roof projecting toward the street frontage and a rear hipped roof projecting at the side. An early bullnosed return verandah envelopes the front facades. These roof forms are clad in galvanised corrugated iron. An early white painted brick chimney with a corbelled top adorns the roofline, which is also interrupted by a recent air conditioning unit.

Narrow overhangs, timber brackets and decorative diamond panelling and paterae are features of the eaves. The front and side timber framed, triple light, double hung windows are also early, and have timber window brackets below their sills. The side window towards the rear of the house also has an early bracketed timber drip mould. The four panelled timber front door with timber framed side and toplights also appears to be early and is set in a timber lined recessed entranceway. There is also a secondary timber framed doorway to the rear hipped roof projection.

An early feature of the design is the cast iron verandah decoration, including the valances and brackets. The turned timber columns may be more recent but are appropriate, and the substantial concrete verandah floor is a recent addition.

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