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# Preece House, 5 Raglan Street, ST ARNAUD



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## Location

5 Raglan Street ST ARNAUD, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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The house at 5 Raglan Street, St. Arnaud, has significance as a predominantly externally intact example of an eclectic Federation and interwar Bungalow style. Mr. Albert Preece built this house prior to his marriage in 1922, using a number of recycled building materials from an earlier hotel building nearby.

The house at 5 Raglan Street is **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It demonstrates original design qualities of an eclectic Federation and interwar Bungalow style. These qualities include the complex roof form comprising a central gambrel roof with projecting side minor gables and a return broken back verandah emphasising the corner. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the single storey height, lapped galvanised corrugated iron roof cladding (painted red), two painted brick interwar chimneys with soldier course cappings and terra cotta pots, wide eaves and exposed timber rafters, painted brick dado and upper stuccoed brick wall construction, rendered stringcourse, timber framed sliding windows arranged in horizontal banks, window

leadlighting, timber and glazed doors with sidelights and transoms, oculus window under the verandah, paired timber verandah columns (except the triple columns at the corner), painted brick verandah piers with rendered cappings, curving solid verandah balustrade constructed of painted brick with projecting cement cappings, and the timber shingling gable infill.

The house at 5 Raglan Street is **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It has associations with the Preece family, owners of the timber yard and building company in McMahon and Raglan Streets, and builder of this house in 1922.

Overall, the house at 5 Raglan Street is of **LOCAL** significance.

Heritage Study/Consultant Northern Grampians - Shire of Northern Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage Study, Wendy Jacobs, Vicki Johnson, David Rowe, Phil Taylor, 2004;

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## Physical Description 1

The house at 5 Raglan Street, St. Arnaud, is situated on a corner allotment, with front setbacks of approximately 4 metres. The front is characterised by an open grassed area with perimeter plantings and trees, and is bound by a 1200 mm high fence having a face brick plinth, regularly space piers, open steel trussed infill and corner steel gate.

The single storey, stuccoed and painted brick eclectic Federation and interwar Bungalow styled house is characterised by a Federation styled complex roof form comprising a central gambrel roof with projecting side minor gables and a return broken back verandah emphasising the corner. These roof forms are clad in lapped galvanised corrugated iron painted red, typical of Federation design. Two painted brick interwar chimneys have soldier course cappings and terra cotta pots. Wide overhangs and exposed timber rafters are features of the eaves.

The wall construction forms a feature of the design. There is a painted brick dado bordered by a plain rendered stringcourse and stuccoed wall finish above. The early timber framed sliding windows are unusual, but arranged in horizontal banks typical of interwar Bungalow design. These windows have early decorative leadlighting. The timber and glazed interwar doors have early sidelights and transoms. There is also an early oculus window at one side under the verandah.

Another feature of the design is the return verandah. It is supported by early paired timber columns (except the triple columns at the corner), which in turn are supported by painted brick piers with rendered cappings. The curving solid verandah balustrade is constructed of early painted brick with projecting cement cappings.

The gables have early timber shingling infill.

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