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## Location

37 Seaby Street STAWELL, 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 37 Seaby Street, Stawell, makes a significant contribution to the predominantly single storey, Victorian styled streetscape of Seaby Street and has visual connections to the Grampians ranges. This house was built in c.1870 for Francis T. Layzell, local watchmaker and jeweller. Although the front verandah has recently been introduced, the house is largely externally intact.

The house at 37 Seaby Street is **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It demonstrates original design qualities of a Victorian Picturesque style. These qualities include the gable roof form that traverses the site, together with a gable roof form and bullnosed verandah that project towards the street frontage. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the asymmetrical composition, single storey height, brick wall construction, painted and lapped galvanised corrugated iron roof cladding, two rendered brick chimneys with projecting cornices, narrow eaves, decorative timber bargeboards and finial, parapeted bay window, lancet ventilator in the gable end,

timber framed double hung windows, timber framed doorway with side and high lights, and the introduced bullnosed verandah supported by square timber columns with decorative timber brackets.

The house at 37 Seaby Street is **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with residential developments in Stawell during the prosperous years of the gold rush in the late 1860s and 1870s. In particular, this house has associations with Francis T. Layzell, original owner and watchmaker, jeweller and silversmith, who instigated construction in c.1870.

Overall, the house at 37 Seaby 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 site at 37 Seaby Street is visually connected to other significant, single storey, predominantly Victorian styled houses in the streetscape of Seaby Street. It is also visually connected to the Grampians ranges to the south-west.

This house has a large front setback identified by a central concrete path with flanking grassed areas, and perimeter trees and shrubs. The front boundary is identified by a low random rubble stone retaining wall.

The asymmetrical, single storey, painted brick, Victorian Picturesque styled house is characterised by a gable roof form that traverses the site, together with a gable roof form and bullnosed verandah that project towards the street frontage. These roof forms are clad in painted and lapped galvanised corrugated iron. Two early rendered brick chimneys with projecting cornices adorn the roofline. Narrow overhangs are a feature of the eaves.

A distinctive early feature of the design is the front gable with its decorative timber bargeboards and finial, parapetted bay window and lancet ventilator in the gable end. Other early features of the design include the timber framed double hung windows and timber framed doorway with side and high lights.

An introduced but appropriate component of the design is the bullnosed verandah, supported by introduced square timber columns with decorative timber brackets.

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