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Location

31 Skene Street STAWELL, 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 - August 27, 2004

The house at 31 Skene Street, Stawell, makes a significant architectural and visual contribution to the predominantly late 19th and early 20th century residential area. This house has significance as an intact example of a transitional Late Victorian/Edwardian style. Although the original construction date has not been ascertained, the design of the building suggests that it was constructed in the late 19th or early 20th century. At an early date, it was occupied by the Phillips family until the late 1930s or 1940s. The house appears to be in good condition when viewed from the street.

The house at 31 Skene Street is **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It demonstrates original design qualities of a transitional Late Victorian/Edwardian style. These qualities include the hipped roof form that traverses the site, together with the hipped roof and bullnosed verandah that project towards the street frontage. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the asymmetrical composition, single storey height, galvanised

corrugated steel roof cladding, horizontal timber weatherboard wall cladding, brick chimney with a multi-corbelled top, narrow eaves with paired timber brackets, panelling and paterae, timber framed double hung windows, front timber framed doorway with sidelights, timber verandah posts and the decorative cast iron verandah valance.

The house at 31 Skene Street is **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with residential developments in Stawell in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. This house also appears to be associated with the Phillips family, who occupied the property from at least the 1920s until the late 1930s or 1940s.

Overall, the house at 31 Skene 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 31 Skene Street, Stawell, is set in a predominantly intact residential streetscape with visual connections to late 19th and early 20th century Victorian, Edwardian/Federation and interwar Bungalow styled houses with well-landscaped gardens. This house has a typical front setback comprising a grassed area with perimeter garden beds and trees, and an introduced brick pedestrian path. The front is bound by an introduced, open horizontal paling fence that is approximately 1600 mm high.

The asymmetrical, single storey, horizontal timber weatherboard, transitional Late Victorian/Edwardian styled house is characterised by a hipped roof form that traverses the site, together with a hipped roof and bullnosed verandah that project towards the street frontage. These roof forms are clad in galvanised corrugated steel. An early brick chimney (now overpainted) with a multi-corbelled top adorns the roofline. Narrow overhangs with paired timber brackets, panelling and paterae are features of the eaves. Other early features include the timber framed double hung windows, and the timber framed doorway with sidelights.

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