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Location

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Municipality

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Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO142

HO11

Heritage Listing

Queenscliffe Borough

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - November 1, 2009

Statement of Significance as recorded under the Queenscliff Heritage Study 2009

No. 5 Stevens Street is of historical and architectural/aesthetic significance to the Borough of Queenscliffe. Historically, the property relates to the earliest phase of development in Queenscliff, and was associated with both the pilot's service, including the colourful sea pilot William Rockett, and the Queenscliff Grammar School, through William Behan. The dwelling, which is substantially intact externally, is also significant as one of a number of generously proportioned, double-fronted, single-storey and verandahed mid to late nineteenth century dwellings on substantial allotments in Queenscliff. The presentation of the property is enhanced through its landscaped setting and deep garden setback, including the Norfolk Island pine tree.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Queenscliffe - Queenscliffe Urban Conservation Study, Allom Lovell & Associates P/L, Architects, 1982; Queenscliffe - Queenscliffe Heritage Study, Lovell Chen, 2009;
Construction dates	1854,
Hermes Number	120752
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

5 Stevens Street is a typical double-fronted verandahed building with a low hip-roof and stuccoed brick chimneys. The original concave-roof verandah has been replaced, as has the verandah floor and the front door.

The front picket fence has been replaced. Details such as the ogee-profile roof guttering however, remain. Internally mantels have been removed and replaced, and openings relocated but the simple plan remains in principle. There are unsympathetic face-brick additions at the rear.

Despite these alterations, 5 Stevens Street is advantaged by its elevated siting and the remaining Norfolk Island Pine of what was once a pair at the frontage. It has historic associations with the pilot service, and was briefly the site of a Queenscliff grammar school.

Physical Description 2

Extract from the 2009 study

No. 5 Stevens Street is a substantially externally intact, wide double-fronted, single-storey rendered masonry building on an elevated site. It has a low 'M'-hipped corrugated steel-clad roof, and rendered brick chimneys with moulded cornices. It is fronted by a bull-nosed verandah on square timber posts - the original concave-roof and floor of the verandah were replaced prior to 1984. The diagonally-braced verandah balustrade is a recent addition. The modern front door (centrally-positioned) is flanked by timber sash windows, all asymmetrically placed. Centrally-positioned concrete steps lead up to the elevated verandah and entry.

To the rear (east) of the original house is an L-shaped addition with a hipped roof which contains a double garage accessed from Hobson Street.

The landscaped gardens contain formal lavender hedges with recent low brick walls and a central entrance path leading up to the front of the house. The gardens also include a Norfolk Island pine tree, the survivor of a pair of such trees. The original front picket fence has been replaced. Pedestrian access is now via a gate in the Hobson Street boundary.

Intactness

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