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# House



1/51 Mountain View Road

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## Location

1/51 Mountain View Road MONTMORENCY, BANYULE CITY

## Municipality

BANYULE CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO172

## Heritage Listing

Banyule City

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## Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The house at 1/51 Mountain View Road is of significance.

How is it significant?

The house at 1/51 Mountain View Road is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Banyule.

Why is it significant?

The house at 1/51 Mountain View Road is of local historic significance for its association with the trend of residential subdivision and Estate development occurring within Montmorency as a result of the railway line extension to Eltham. It is of an early construction date for Montmorency and represents a form of semi-rural residential development that has largely been subsumed by post war housing. 1/51 Mountain View Road was the home of Dr Andrew Honman, whose later work in medicine was as a pioneer in the field of pathology in the 1920s at Bethesda Hospital. (Criterion A)

The house at 1/51 Mountain View Road is of local aesthetic significance as a representative example of a transitional Federation/ Bungalow in Banyule. The simplicity of design and restrained decoration contribute aesthetic value to the property. The Bungalow style of house is not well represented in Montmorency, as most development took place in the Post-war period. (Criterion D)

Heritage Study/Consultant Banyule - Banyule Heritage Review, Context P/L, 2009;

Hermes Number 124052

Property Number

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## Physical Description 1

The house at 51 Mountain View Road represents a transitional Federation/Bungalow architectural style and is very simple in its design and decoration. Sited at a diagonal on a large block, the house is of single storey construction, with a wide gable roof that features an additional decorative gable facing the street and two unadorned chimneys. The building has a roughcast and painted brick facade. Double-hung sash windows, with six panes in each sash, punctuate the exterior. Each window occurs either as a single feature, or in groups of two or three. A verandah runs around three sides of the house supported by timber posts placed in pairs at wide intervals. The verandah is raised above the ground and a timber lattice covers the space between floor and earth.

A c.1924 photograph of the house found in advertising material for Montmorency Station Estate shows that all of these features are original to the building, apart from the painted brick in the facade, which was previously left as an unpainted face brick. Another addition is the timber extension to the back of the building, which is visible from the road. While the house is currently situated on a sparsely vegetated block, the earlier picture features a well-established garden surrounding the house, including vines growing on some of the sub-verandah lattice and timber verandah posts. A timber addition to the building at the back of the property is visible from the road.

Although the lot has reduced considerably in size from its original acreage, 51 Mountain View Road still stands on a large parcel of land, and represents the development of houses in Montmorency immediately following the construction of the railway line to Eltham. It is a considerably earlier building than most in Montmorency.

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