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# Residence "Keyham" prefabricated timber house including interior

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## Location

275 Pakington Street, NEWTOWN VIC 3220 - Property No 203926

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1128

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1623

HO186

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The prefabricated timber house 'Keyham' in Newtown is one of a large number of portable houses imported to Geelong in the 1850s by local merchant Frederick Bauer and others to meet housing exigencies during the Victorian fold rushes. Most probably 'Keyham', named by it's original owner John Buckland after a place in Leicester, was manufactured in Germany or Switzerland. Markings can be seen on roof timbers. The original four room house of wide ship-lap weatherboards, slate roof and chinoserie style verandah is of archaeological importance as a rare survivor and intact illustrations of a once common building.

## RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Geelong Regional Commission Register.

Historic Buildings Council Register.

National trust of Australia (Victoria) Register.

Australian Heritage Commission Register of the National Estate.

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Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	16184
Property Number	

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