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# House; 88 Benjamin Street, SUNSHINE

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## Location

88 Benjamin Street SUNSHINE, BRIMBANK CITY

## Municipality

BRIMBANK CITY

## Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO25

## Heritage Listing

Brimbank City

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## Statement of Significance

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The Railway Station Estate - Wright & Edwards Heritage Area is of regional historical and architectural significance as a sub-division first developed in the speculative boom of the 1880s. This related to the industrialisation of the area and the creation of a new suburb - the township of Braybrook Junction. The few remaining houses of the early 1890s are amongst the oldest in the district and are a remarkable survival from the era of the 1890s Depression, when many newly-built houses were moved.

This subdivision is also significant for its diversity and the range of housing from different periods, especially the years immediately following the establishment of H.V. McKay's Sunshine Harvester Works at Braybrook Junction. The area provides an interesting comparison with H.V. McKay's housing estate, since many of his Ballarat workers moved or built homes here in the early years of the 20th century. The neighbourhood's population more than doubled in ten years, with further expansion in the 1920s -30s and during and after World War Two, creating consistent streetscapes of freestanding, single storey timber houses with a consistent garden setback.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Brimbank - Brimbank Heritage Study, Graeme Butler & Associates and Living Museum of the West, 1997;
Construction dates	1952,
Other Names	weatherboard house, 1952,
Hermes Number	197115
Property Number	

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## Physical Conditions

House, weatherboard house

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