GLEESON STREET PRECINCT



6 Gleeson Street



Captain Cook Hotel, 358 Napier Street



360 Napier Street



357 Napier Street

Location

1 & 2-8 GLEESON STREET and 357-365 & 358-362 NAPIER STREET and 5 BADEN STREET BENDIGO, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO896

Heritage Listing

Greater Bendigo City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Gleeson Street precinct comprising the Captain Cook Hotel, Norfolk Island pine tree, 358-360 Napier Street, a row of four similar Victorian era houses at 1 and 2-8 Gleeson Street and three houses on the west side of Napier Street including nos. 367, 363 and 365 and palm trees, is significant.

Contributory elements of the precinct include:

Gleeson Street

- . 1 Gleeson Street
- . 2 Gleeson Street
- . 4 Gleeson Street
- . 6 Gleeson Street
- . 8 Gleeson Street

Napier Street

- . 357 Napier Street
- . Captain Cook Hotel Motel 358 Napier Street and Norfolk Island pine
- . 360 Napier Street
- . 362 Napier Street
- . 363 Napier Street
- . 365 Napier Street and palm trees

How is it significant?

The Gleeson Street precinct is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Greater Bendigo.

Why is it significant?

Gleeson Street is significant as a predominantly late nineteenth century development linking White Hills to Bendigo. It represents urban development as a result of agricultural and industrial development to the north of Bendigo. The hotel and shops are a tangible link with the development of commercial enterprises along the White Hills Road. The Gleeson Street precinct is significant for its association with hotelier, well-known community member and contractor; Michael Gleeson, licensee of the Suburban Hotel (later Captain Cook Hotel). (Criterion A)

The Captain Cook Hotel and the Norfolk Island pine (*Araucaria heterophylla*) are local landmarks on the way to White Hills. The Hotel's corner location with frontages to Napier and Gleeson Streets and characteristic Edwardian roof form make it a highly visible element in the landscape. The commercial focus of the precinct is supported by the Inter-war shop with post supported verandah and associated residence. The four similar late Victorian houses in Gleeson Street form a cohesive group as a result of their similar scale, form and detail, including hedges and low front fences. (Criterion E) The Inter-war residence at 365 Napier Street and its palm trees is an excellent representative house, with unpainted rough cast render finish. (Criterion D)

Heritage Greater Bendigo - White Hills & Bendigo Heritage Study 2016, Context

Study/Consultant P/L, 2015;

Hermes Number 198296

Property Number

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