

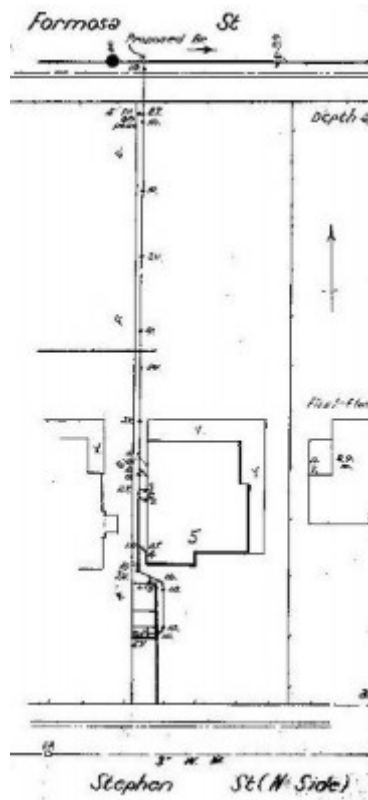
Dwelling - Monaro



5 Stephen Street, Newtown



Aerial view. Pictometry, City of Greater Geelong.



GWST Drainage Plan no. 6328, 1926, Barwon Water.

Location

5 Stephen Street NEWTOWN, GREATER GEELONG CITY

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO2006

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on -

Contributory Significance- Newtown West Heritage Area

History/Notes

In 1926, Harry Hooper, grocer, subdivided his property 'Monaro' (now 5A Stephen Street) in order to have a new brick dwelling constructed. Located at 5 Stephen Street, the dwelling was designed by Fred C. Purnell, architect, and built by J.C. Taylor and Sons.

Born in 1879, Harry Hooper was the son of Lloyd Hooper, successful grocer. He attended Geelong College from 1890 before taking up a position in the family business. He married Miss Dorothea Martha Hawkeworth in 1913. In 1929, he was elected as a Councillor with the Newtown Council, the Geelong Advertiser describing him as 'Happy Harry' given his 'happy, sunny-natured' personality with likeable qualities. In 1931, Hooper sold his neighbouring property, 'Monaro', to Henry Jacobs. Hooper remained resident at 5 Stephen Street until his death on Christmas Day in 1951, after a long illness. An obituary in The Age described him as being 'widely known for his lifelong interest in the grocery trade in Geelong, and for his public and philanthropic work.'

The dwelling at 5 Stephen Street was originally designed to face the private yard to the north. It appears to be largely intact, with an original main gabled roof form that traverses the site, an attic with jerkin-head roofed wings projecting from the front and rear main gabled roof faces, and a verandah formed as an extension of the main roof on the north side. There is also an early brick garage on the Stephen Street boundary constructed in 1929 by H. Purnell.

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Property Number

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