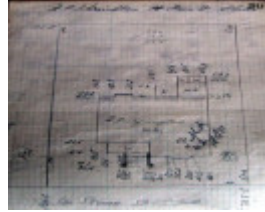

Dwelling



25 Upper Skene Street,
Newtown



GWST Fieldbook no. 319, 18
May 1931, p.30, Barwon
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Location

25 Upper Skene Street NEWTOWN, GREATER GEELONG CITY

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO2005

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on -

Contributory Significance- Newtown West Heritage Area

History/Notes

The land at 25 Upper Skene Street was offered for sale as lot 3 of the McQueen Estate in 1928. This house was built in 1931 by H.R. Leach for Allan Shrimpton, in anticipation of his marriage to Miss Ina May Deans in the

same year. They were to have three children: Ian David, Jeanette Ruth and Anne Christine.

Allan Phillip Shrimpton was born in Geelong in 1905, the son of Francis John and Minnie Eliza (nee Carter) Shrimpton. Presumably he was educated at Geelong College where his older brother, Francis John Shrimpton, is known to have attended. His father was the music teacher at the College. In 1919, he served in the Junior Cadets as part of the Commonwealth Government's universal military training. Shrimpton was a clerk in the 1930s. He served in the Australian Military Force in the Second World War, rising to the rank of Major and in 1942 he was Mentioned in Despatches. Following the war, Shrimpton became a Tourist Bureau Proprietor and he was still resident at 25 Upper Skene Street in 1965. He died in 1974.

The asymmetrical, single storey, timber interwar Bungalow styled dwelling is reflective of its original design. This includes the main hipped roof form, projecting minor hipped wing at the front, and the front flat-roofed verandah. Other original features include the chimney, broad eaves, flat-roofed faceted bay window (with timber shingling at the base), timber framed double hung windows, timber and glazed front door and sidelights, and possibly the verandah posts and brackets. Rear additions and a garage were built in 1998. There is an introduced capped timber picket front fence.

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Hermes Number 199410

Property Number

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