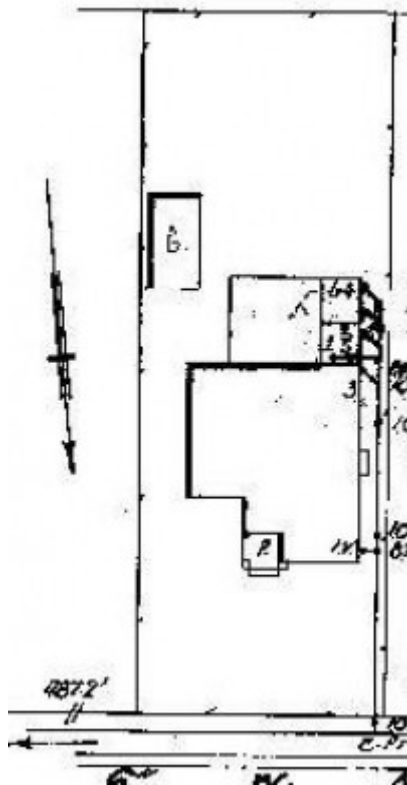


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## Dwelling



61 Upper Skene Street,  
Newtown



GWST Drainage Plan no. 4820A, 1939, Barwon Water.

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### Location

61 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

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## Statement of Significance

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### History/Notes

In 1912-13, the site at 47 Upper Skene Street formed lot 9 of the Newtown Tram Estate that had previously formed Henry King's "Sunnyside" property. It was purchased by Abram Dower who built a dwelling on the adjacent lot 10 in 1913 -14. The property passed to Dower's son, Clifford and on 15 June 1939 he sold it to J.J. Agg, a builder. Agg built this house at that time. The design of the dwelling has a familiarity with State Savings Bank's "T7" standard concept of 1938. foncier scheme as the Bank held Title from January 1938. The design concept is similar (but not identical) to the Bank's "Design C.F.10" and "H.20" schemes

On 16 June 1939, Agg sold the property to Alfred Frost, engineer, and in turn he sold it to Francis Atkins Poynton, a wool classer in September 1939. Poynton lived there until 1947 when the property was purchased by Mrs Gladys Janet Madge Olsen.

The timber, asymmetrical late interwar Bungalow styled dwelling is reflective of its original design when viewed from the front. This includes the single storey hipped roof forms, including the front hipped roofed porch supported by rendered brick piers and round-arched opening. Other early features include the roof tiles, broad eaves and timber framed double hung windows. At the rear are two storey additions which are hardly visible from Upper Skene Street. The timber picket front fence and gates have been introduced.

### References:

Certificates of Title, vol. 3608 fol. 572, vol. 6303 fol. 492.  
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Hermes Number	199430
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