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## Residence



341 Ryrie Street

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### Location

341 Ryrie Street, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 217765

### Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

### Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1639

HO1139

### Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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### Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The house at 341 Ryrie Street, Geelong, has significance as a predominantly intact example of the interwar Old English style. Built in 1937 for George and Ethel Humble, the house appears to be in good condition when viewed from the street.

The house at 341 Ryrie Street is architecturally significant at a LOCAL level. It demonstrates original design qualities of an interwar Old English style. These qualities include the dominant gable roof form that traverses the site, together with the two storey gable that projects towards the street frontage, two hipped dormers that project towards the front, the projecting single storey gable on the east side with the hipped eaves and the recessed projecting bay on the east side. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the asymmetrical composition, two storey height, terra cotta shingle roof cladding, unpainted brick wall construction, dominant unpainted brick chimney with a narrow diagonal shaft and a pointed arched niche at the base, modest eaves, projecting bay window at the front with a conical roof clad in terra cotta shingles, timber framed double hung windows, window lead-lighting, narrow timber framed window with lead-lighting in the upper reaches of the projecting gable, heading bond courses defining the upper reaches of the gable ends and the soldier course bandings at the front. The substantial front landscape also contributes to the significance of the place.

The house at 341 Ryrie Street is historically significant at a LOCAL level. It is associated with substantial residential developments in Geelong during the interwar 1920s-1940s period. In particular, this house has associations with George and Ethel Humble, original owners who instigated construction in 1937. George Humble had been the Secretary of the Vulcan Foundry in Geelong, had served with the Commonwealth Bank and was a member of the Geelong Hospital Committee and a Life Governor of the Glastonbury Home.

Overall, the house at 341 Ryrie Street is of LOCAL significance.

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## Physical Description 1

The house at 341 Ryrie Street, Geelong, is set on an average-sized allotment for the northern side of Ryrie Street in this area. The house has a substantial front setback, a narrow side setback and a wider side setback forming a side driveway. The front has a substantial landscape of exotic trees and shrubs, and there is a small brick outbuilding with a hipped terra cotta shingle roof. The front is bound by an introduced cast iron palisade fence and vehicular gates and is approximately 1800 mm high.

The asymmetrical, two storey, unpainted brick, interwar Old English styled house is characterised by a dominant gable roof form that traverses the site, together with a two storey gable that projects towards the street frontage, two hipped dormers that project towards the front, a projecting single storey gable on the east side with a hipped eaves and a recessed projecting bay on the east side. These roof forms are clad in terra cotta shingling. A dominant unpainted brick chimney with a narrow diagonal shaft and a pointed arched niche at the base adorns the roofline. Modest overhangs are features of the eaves.

A feature of the design is the projecting bay window at the front with a conical roof clad in terra cotta shingles. The bay has early timber framed double hung windows. There are other banks of timber framed double hung windows with lead-lighting at the front and side, as well as a narrow timber framed window with lead-lighting in the upper reaches of the projecting gable.

Other early features of the design include the header bond courses defining the upper reaches of the gable ends and the soldier course bandings at the front.

## **Physical Description 2**

Intact, Tudor Revival style, clinker brick, steep transverse gable roof with attic level clad in terracotta tiles, also a projecting gable to facade, hipped dormers with timber shingles, prominent brick chimney to front with oblique shaft & pointed arched niche at the base, timber sash windows with diamond quarrels, side entry.

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