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# CAROLINE CHISHOLM SHELTER SHED SITE (ESSENDON)

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## Location

2 GRICE CRESENT ESSENDON, MOONEE VALLEY CITY

## Municipality

MOONEE VALLEY CITY

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7822-2428

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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## Statement of Significance

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### What is significant?

The site is the location of the former historically occupied by the Caroline Chisholm Shelter Shed (Essendon) and the Northeastern Gatekeeper. The site was used by travelers to the goldfields during the key years of the Victorian goldrush. The site likely contained three apartments, a kitchen and outbuildings, in addition to the gate keepers shelter and cesspit. The site has been subject to minor development throughout the 20th century and part of the site is likely to contain historical archaeological features, deposits and artefacts associated with the mid-nineteenth century use of the site.

### How is it significant?

The site is of local historical, social and archaeological significance.

### Why is it significant?

The site is of historical significance as the location of one of the earliest immigration establishments and charity schemes during the years of the Victorian goldrush – one of the most significant rushes in world history. The site is of archaeological significance due to its potential to contain artefacts, deposits and features that relate to the establishment and operation of the shelter shed, and other later 19th century activities. The places is also of social significance to the community of Essendon who have an understanding and appreciation of the history of this place as a focus of the activities of Caroline Chisholm and her significant social work throughout the nineteenth century.

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