
Villamanta Street Heritage Area

Location

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Municipality

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1635

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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The Villamanta Street Area is characterised by the large allotments originally sub-divided by James Austin (1889) and a considerable number of large single storey, late Victorian and Edwardian residences, some of the finest in Geelong West. The houses represent the first buildings on this land. Historically the houses were built for prominent business people who preferred the rising ground and aspect of this part of Geelong West. All the houses fronting Villamanta Street are single detached houses.

The houses are extremely decorative in appearance and complex in form, incorporating hipped roofs, gablets, gables, curved profile verandahs and turrets (37 & 51). They are predominantly of timber construction with the exception of No 35 which is polychrome brick. Decoration is provided by cast iron and/or timber fretwork to verandahs and cast iron ridge decoration.

The integrity of the precinct is upheld by Potter Street (the rear lane) which provides the vehicle entry for the houses and still contains bluestone crossovers, drainage channels and a collection of original out buildings fronting the lane. Minimal street planting and nature strips are provided in Villamanta Street which has a generous street width and bluestone kerb and channel. Generous front and side setbacks are prevalent.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - City of Geelong West Urban Conservation Study, Huddle, Aitken and Honman, 1986;
Hermes Number	22187
Property Number	

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