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### Location

21 Osborne Street WILLIAMSTOWN, Hobsons Bay City

### Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

### Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO239

### Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

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### Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The house, constructed c.1870, at 21 Osborne Street, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

The house at 21 Osborne Street, Williamstown is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is significant as one of the oldest houses in Osborne Street and demonstrates the early phase of residential development within the Government Survey precinct to the south of the railway line. (AHC criteria A4 and D2)

Aesthetically, it is significant as an intact and highly unusual example of an early Victorian two storey timber house of uncommon design, most notably the unusual triple gabled form, which is unique within Williamstown. It contributes to the historic nineteenth century character of Osborne Street. (AHC criteria B2, E1 and F1)

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Property Number

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## Physical Description 1

A two-storey, detached symmetrical weatherboard house with a hipped and gabled corrugated galvanised steel roof. Each of three gables facing the street has a multi-paned attic window. The house is set back from the street by a garden. Significant elements include:

- The unusual triple gabled form, which is unique within Williamstown.
- Timber-fretted verandah with convex profile corrugated galvanised steel roof
- Original two-pane double-hung sash windows flanking a four-panelled entrance door

The present verandah is not original and may have replaced an earlier one. There is evidence of a curved profile on weatherboards.

## Integrity

External Integrity and condition

*Integrity - Moderate. Condition - Good*

## Physical Description 2

Context

Contributes to the nineteenth century character of Osborne Street.

## Historical Australian Themes

Making Suburbs

## Physical Description 3

*Associations*

William Stone.

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