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# HOUSE



View from Vernon Street

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## Location

5 VERNON STREET,, STRATHMORE VIC 3041 - Property No 204704

## Municipality

MOONEE VALLEY CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

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## Heritage Listing

Moonee Valley City

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## Statement of Significance

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### *What is significant?*

The house at 5 Vernon Street is a modest weatherboard and roughcast rendered bungalow that was erected by 1922, and possibly a few years earlier, on a residential subdivision that had been laid out in 1912.

### *How is it significant?*

The house at 5 Vernon Street is of historical and aesthetic significance to the City of Moonee Valley.

### *Why is it significant?*

Historically, the house provides evidence of a particularly early phase of residential settlement in Strathmore. First recorded in directories in 1922 (although stylistic evidence suggests it may have been built a few years earlier), this small house predates much of Strathmore's inter-war building stock, which mostly developed following the gradual subdivision of the Napier family estate in the later 1920s. The house is particularly rare and unusual in Strathmore's northern extremity, which is otherwise strongly characterised by post-war housing. It is clearly one of the oldest twentieth century houses north of Woodland Street.

Aesthetically, the house is a representative, if slightly late, example of the bungalow style of the 1910s, characterised by small dwellings with symmetrical frontages, hipped roofs, timber weatherboarding and roughcast render. The house remains as distinctive element in this now small street, partly truncated by the erection of the Tullamarine freeway.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moonee Valley - City of Moonee Valley Gap Heritage Study, Heritage Alliance, 2005;
Construction dates	1922,
Hermes Number	29783
Property Number	

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## **Physical Description 1**

The house at 5 Vernon Street is a single-storey double-fronted timber-framed late Edwardian villa, with a weatherboard dado and roughcast rendered walls. The hipped roof is clad in corrugated galvanised steel and penetrated by a pair of tapered roughcast chimneys with plain coping. The symmetrical street facade has a recessed central entrance, with an ornate timber door case, and a broad projecting porch with thick tapered timber posts, a curved frieze of timber slats, and a simple timber balustrade. This porch is flanked by paired timber-framed double-hung sash windows with moulded timber architraves, highlights and leaded glazing. The timber-framed and roughcast lych gate along the front property boundary is evidently not original.

## **Historical Australian Themes**

### THEMATIC CONTEXT

4.1.2 Making suburbs

4.1.3 Learning to live with property booms and busts

8.12 Living in and around Australian homes

## **Physical Conditions**

### CONDITION

The house is in excellent condition.

## **Integrity**

### INTEGRITY

The house is substantially intact.

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