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# PROVIDENCE HOUSE, FORMER SUNDAY SCHOOL



Providence House

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## Location

Healesville Koo Wee Rup Road COCKATOO, Cardinia Shire

## Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO97

## Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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Providence House, and the former Sunday School (rear) are of significance to the Cardinia Shire as a remaining example of the many guest houses that were once major features of Cockatoo and other resort areas in the Shire. The house dates from 1922 and was built by the Presbyterian Church as a holiday home for mothers and children. The associated garden ( plans of which survive) also has significance and is believed to date from the 1920s.

### *Regional Significance*

Heritage Study/Consultant	Cardinia - Cardinia Shire Heritage Study 1996, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1996;
Construction dates	1922, 1930,
Other Names	Healesville Koo-wee-rup Road, Cockatoo,
Hermes Number	30097
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## **Physical Description 1**

This hipped roofed, Federation Bungalow style weatherboarded and verandahed former guest house, is sited on the hillside at the south-west corner of Dorchester Road in a mature mainly exotic garden. The roof is clad with corrugated iron and the verandah which covers three sides of the house has a slatted balustrade (incomplete).

There is a gabled weatherboarded former Sunday school at the rear (shifted) which retains some early external colours, a trussed gable end and gabled porch entry and an added weatherboard skillion which was used as a residence.

The garden includes tree ferns, hydrangeas, and a very large English oak in the rear.

## **Physical Conditions**

The former guest house is externally near original except fro the balustrade slatting and new rear openings. The former Sunday school has an added skillion from the 1930s.

## **Historical Australian Themes**

Historical Themes

7.2 Popular holiday resorts. Guest house era and later

9.2 Schools, kindergartens, libraries

10.8 Guest houses, gardens

## **Physical Description 2**

Associations - Presbyterian Church

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