

Heritage Listing

Golden Plains Shire

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The former Methodist manse at 12 Carlyle Street, Scarsdale was built as the Methodist Manse some time in the 1860s or 1870s and possibly later extended. The Methodists, both Wesleyan and Primitive branches had been active on the surrounding goldfields from the earliest times. The first preacher was Rev. J. Bickford from Ballarat who was soon supported by Revs. Ebenezer Taylor and W. C. Curry. Scarsdale came to be the focus of the Circuit when it and the surrounding district had a population of 4,000 people. The mining declined and many of the small churches were demolished or relocated. By 1977 the Methodists had joined with the Congregationalists and most Presbyterians to form the Uniting Church of Australia. The manse is intact for the most part but has a low integrity and is in poor condition.

How is it Significant?

The former Methodist manse is of historic and architectural significance to the Golden Plains Shire.

Why is it Significant?

The former Methodist manse is of historic significance as the only surviving evidence of the presence of Methodism in the district. It has historical associations with important Methodists and a series of ordained and lay preachers. The cottage is of architectural significance for its modest vernacular form and use of materials.

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Historical Australian Themes

The Australian Heritage Commission devised the Australian Historic Themes in 2001. The following themes have influenced the historical development of the ...

8 Developing Australia's Cultural Life

8.6.2 Maintaining religious traditions and ceremonies

8.12 Living in and around Australian homes

8.14 Living in the county and rural settlements

Intactness

The house is substantially intact.

Integrity

The house has a fair degree of integrity.

Physical Description 1

The house is a single storey timber building with an asymmetrical plan. A room with a tri-partite window, indicating that this is possibly an addition, projects on the north side. The L-shaped timber verandah is on the front and south side. It is decorated with a simple cut-out valence. The chimneys are all pressed red brick. The original weatherboards have been replaced by cement sheeting. The building is in poor condition.

Physical Description 2

Extent of registration: The whole of the cottage, but excluding the interiors, and all of the land being Allotment 1 and 3 of Section 15 of the Parish of Scarsdale.

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