

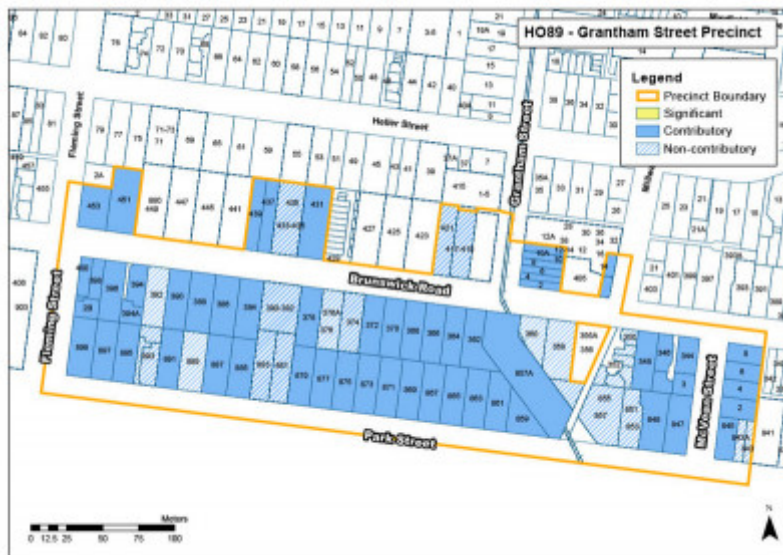
Grantham Street



Mid-Park St looking W



Park Street looking E



Grantham Street Precinct Map

Location

2-12 GRANTHAM STREET, 405-421, 431-439, 451, 453 & 344-400 BRUNSWICK ROAD, 2-8 & 3 MCVEAN STREET, and 843A & 843-899 PARK STREET, BRUNSWICK WEST, MORELAND CITY

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - November 10, 2011

What is significant?

The Grantham Street Precinct, comprising houses and commercial buildings at 405-421, 431-439, 451-453 and 344-400 Brunswick Road, 2-12 Grantham Street, 2-8 McVean Street, and 843-899 Park Street.

How is it significant?

The Grantham Street Precinct is of local architectural significance to the City of Moreland.

Why is it significant?

The Grantham Street Precinct is of local architectural significance as a coherent area of Inter-War houses with a high level of integrity and cohesion of scale, which represents the architectural character of this period of residential development of Brunswick West. This representativeness of the precinct is enhanced by a number of intact elements of the period, including shops, the tramway, and the two individually listed unusual buildings at 405-413 (the former Beacon Garage and flats) and 356 Brunswick Road (house) by local resident Victor Heiberg. These latter buildings were constructed with salvaged materials.

The housing comprises mostly brick Inter-War Bungalows and villas in Brunswick Road and Park Street. Styles represented include Bungalow and English Domestic Revival. The intactness of the precinct is enhanced by the large number of original or traditional gardens, and original front fences, many in brick.

Non-Contributory properties include:

Brunswick Road: 1-6/350, 358, 360, 374, 376, 380-382, 392, 421, 417-419 and 433-435

Park Street: 843, 843A, 851-853, 855-857, 881, 883, 889 and 893.

Heritage Study/Consultant Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999;

Hermes Number 56062

Property Number

Physical Description 1

Address: 405-421, 431-439, 451-453, 344-400 Brunswick Road
2-12 Grantham Street
2-8 McVean Street
843-899 Park Street

The Grantham Street Precinct is a mixed residential and commercial Precinct, the development of most of which

followed the opening of the electric tram service through West Brunswick in 1927. The West Brunswick Hotel, on the north-west corner of Grantham and Brunswick Roads, is a local landmark and one of the few remaining 19th century buildings. Victor Heiberg's highly eclectic Beacon Service and Flats (405-413 Brunswick Road) and house (No. 356), enhance the architectural interest and significance of the Precinct.

The housing comprises mostly brick inter-War bungalows and villas in Brunswick Road and Park Street. The houses are generally large, on large, uniformly-sized blocks, and many-especially those at the western end of Park Street-sit on elevated sites. Styles represented include bungalow and English Domestic Revival. The intactness of the Precinct is enhanced by the large number of original or traditional gardens, and original front fences, many in brick.

The architectural significance of the Precinct has been reduced by the construction of several blocks of two and three storey flats in the 1960s and 1970s, especially along the north side of Brunswick Road. The dominant character of the Precinct, however, remains residential, and the architectural interest of many of the houses balances somewhat the presence of the flats.

Street plantings include Eucalyptus along the median strip of Park Street. Grantham Street and Brunswick Road have concrete footpaths, kerbs and gutters.

The following buildings have individual datasheets in the Moreland Heritage Review: Building Citations (1998):
356 Brunswick Road (1930)

Beacon Service Station and Flats, 405-413 Brunswick Road (1936-38)

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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