Strathard

Location

6 Oldhome Court, NARRE WARREN SOUTH, Casey City

Municipality

CASEY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO104

Heritage Listing

Casey City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 13, 2004

What is significant? 'Strathard', comprising the house constructed c.1931 and associated mature garden and driveway, at 6 Oldhome Court, Narre Warren South.

How is it significant? 'Strathard' is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Casey.

Why is it significant?

Historically, 'Strathard' is significant as the homestead of an important district property, owned by a number of prominent farming families. Sydney A. Greaves, member of a notable Berwick family, fattened sheep and beef cattle there in the 1930s. It was his second home. He was followed in this practice by Charles Moore, Toorak businessman who purchased the property in 1942. Between 1935 and 1959 the property became the venue for the annual Melbourne Hunt Club Steeplechase Meeting. Later, in the 1960s, Alberni's prestigious Fulham Beef Shorthorn Stud was located there, as well as a large 80 acre market garden. (AHC criteria A4, D2 and H1)

Aesthetically, 'Strathard' is significant as a fine example of a two storey interwar bungalow. The remnant mature garden and driveway provide an appropriate setting and assist in understanding the history of this site. (AHC criteria C2 and E1)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Casey - Casey Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2004;
Construction dates	1931,
Hermes Number	62985
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Strathard today is considerably reduced in site dimensions, now a half acre block in the new subdivision named after the property. The large symmetrical bungalow form has verandahs returning on all sides, supported by tapered rendered pillars on glazed red-brown brick plinths. A dormer window in the centre of the broad hip roof overlooks the front garden which retains its picturesque driveway (modified recently) and specimen plantings, including ash, willow and oak. The rural landscape to the south still remained in 1993.

The entrance, with its decorative leadlight surrounds, is located to one side, between two feature box windows. The verandah has been enclosed on one side and at the rear, with further rear additions including a 1950s skillion and brick laundry.

Physical Conditions

Good

Historical Australian Themes

Developing primary production

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