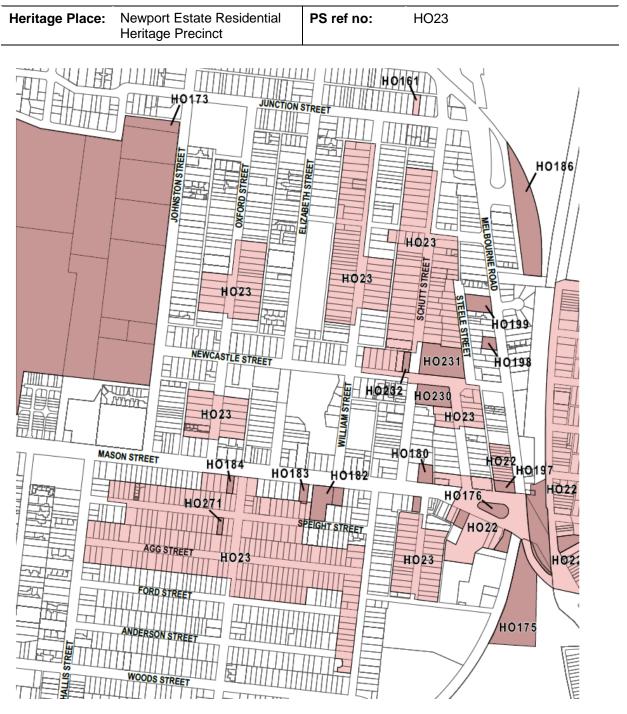
Statement of Significance: Newport Estate Residential Heritage Precinct



What is significant?

The Newport Estate Residential Heritage Precinct comprises all land in HO23. It consists of six discontiguous residential areas in which the original form and character of the area as developed from the 1880s to the end of WWII largely survives. Sub-precincts are located to the north and south of Mason Street.

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How is it significant?

The Newport Estate Residential Heritage Precinct is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it significant?

Historically, it is significant for its strong associations with the development of Newport from the late Victorian era to the end of WWII. Numerous house allotments created during the 1880s boom period were often left vacant for a generation and the range of building styles present in confined areas illustrates the slow and sporadic growth in Newport. The layering of the area's history is illustrated in the early subdivision arrangements with early land boundaries preserved as roads such as Mason Street.

The area also retains associations with locally important individuals such as James Steele, Michael Durkin and C Williams. The predominantly weatherboard single-storey detached houses on small allotments underpins the working class origins of the area and the association with the railway workshops.

Aesthetically, it is significant for the groups of relatively intact examples of representative housing, from the Victorian, Federation and interwar periods up to the end of WWII. The built form is typical of residential development throughout Melbourne's inner west during the late nineteenth and early to mid-twentieth centuries. On this basis, the following places within HO23 contribute to the significance of the precinct.

Primary source

Inner Newport Heritage Gap Study 2022 (Lovell Chen and Hobsons Bay City Council)

Number	Address	Grade
31-33, 41-45, 49-53,	Schutt Street	Contributory
57-73 and 30, 32, 36,		
40, 50-56		
7-23	Steele Street	Contributory
19-23 and 24-30	Walker Street	Contributory
9 and 20-40	Newcastle Street	Contributory
5-13	Ross Street	Contributory
9, 17-19, 23-27, 35-47,	Agg Street	Contributory
51, 53, 57-63, 67-71,		
75-81, 85 and 91; and		
2-14, 18-26, 30, 34-50,		
54-90		
81-93	Mason Street	Contributory
19-53, 59, 61, 65-69,	Speight Street	Contributory
73-75, 79 and 18-22,		
26-32, 38-50, 54-56,		
60, 66-68, 76, 82		
3-13, 17-35	Mirls Street	Contributory
14-30 and 34-40	Ford Street	Contributory
1-15, 4-14, 33-41, 34-	Oxford Street	Contributory
46 and 50-56		
35-55, 59-87, 91-99	William Street	Contributory
and 40-54		
10	Ross Street	Contributory
3-11, 15-17, 23-29 and	Durkin Street	Contributory
2-4, 10-12, 16-18 and		
22-4		