# Usher Richardson Duplex, 91A Easey Street, Collingwood

Heritage overlay: HO321 City of Yarra Property Number: 124540

### What is significant?

The Usher Richardson Duplex at 91A Easey Street, Collingwood was created in 1936 for Usher Richardson and has other historical associations with persons such as Winifred Edna Cottman. The place has a fair integrity to its creation date.

Fabric from the creation date at the Usher Richardson Duplex is locally significant within the City of Yarra, compared to other similar places from a similar era.

### How is it significant?

The Usher Richardson Duplex at 91A Easey Street, Collingwood is architecturally significant to the locality of Collingwood and the City of Yarra.

### Why is it significant?

The Usher Richardson Duplex is significant as a well-preserved Bungalow style duplex building (part of a group 91-91A, 93-93A, 95-95A Easey St) with distinctive brick detailing, original fence and some garden. `This is an accomplished collection of ... single storey residential duplexes, constructed in rendered and face brickwork ... The duplexes are compatible in scale, setback and forth with other buildings in the street, and incorporate some well detailed brick dressings around window openings and in gable ends.' (Wight 2001)

## **References:**

### Municipal rate books:

VPRS 377/P/000 City of Collingwood /DarlingWard Rate year/Rate no./Occupier/Owner/Description /NAV 1944/45; 5882; Wheeler May, Home Duties; Cottman Winifred E 81 Seymour Road, Elsternwick; Brick House; 60 1940-41; 5979; Dodds William, Cleaner; Cottman Winifred Edna, 263 Balaclava Road, Caulfield; Brick House; 60 1939-40; 5996; Hocking George to Dodds William, Cleaner; Cottman Winifred Edna, 263 Balaclava Rd Caulfield, (13/5/40); Brick House £1525 the 2 (see 93A); 60 1938-39; 5980; Gower Walter to Hocking George (6/6/39); Richardson Usher (Equity Trustees); Brick House; 60 1937-38; 5988; Gower Walter, Labourer; Richardson Usher; Brick House; 60 1936-37; 6003; O'Toole James R crossed out to read Grube Margaret Home Duties; Richardson Usher; Brick House, pop 5; 60 1935-36; 6006; ; Richardson Usher; 91-95 Easey Street, Enclosed land and Ruins; 50

### Melbourne or Victorian directories:

South Side 1944-45 Wheeler, Herbt. C 1940 Hocking, Geo A 1936 6 houses being built 1935 No Listing

#### Other references:

Wight 2001:

`This is an accomplished collection of c.1940's single storey residential duplexes, constructed in rendered and face brickwork, and in an area largely predominated by late nineteenth and early twentieth century building stock. The duplexes are compatible in scale, setback and forth with other buildings in the street, and incorporate some well.'

VTO: see survey filed notes;

MMBW Detail Plan shows earlier building as Home of Hope.