Usher Richardson Duplex, 93 Easey Street, Collingwood

Heritage overlay: HO321

City of Yarra Property Number: 124545

What is significant?

The Usher Richardson Duplex at 93 Easey Street, Collingwood was created in 1936 for Usher Richardson and has other historical associations with persons such as Ruby Olive Stynes. The place has a good 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 93 Easey Street, Collingwood is historically and 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

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Rate year/Rate no./Occupier/Owner/Description /NAV

1944/45; 5883; Watson Joan changed to Hammond Jock , Builder; Stynes Mrs Ruby O, 105 The Boulevard Ivanhoe; Brick House; 65

1940-41; 5980; Hammond John, Labourer; Stynes Mrs Ruby O, 68 Maling Rd, Canterbury changed to 105 The Boulevard Ivanhoe; Brick House; 65

1939-40; 5997; Lord Robert to Hammond John, Labourer; Stynes Mrs Ruby Olive, 68 Maling Rd, Canterbury, (14/5/40); Brick House : 65

1938-39; 5981; Conners Eliza crossed to read Lord Robert (6/6/39) Milkcarter; Richardson Usher (Equity Trustees); Brick House; 65

1937-38; 5989; Drew crossed out to read Conners Eliza, Home duties; Richardson Usher; Brick House, pop 5; 65

1936-37; 6004; O'Neill James H crossed out to read Ward Gladys O; Richardson Usher; Brick House, pop 8; 65

1935-36; 6006; ; Richardson Usher; 91-95 Easey Street, , Enclosed land and Ruins; 50

Melbourne or Victorian directories:

South Side 1944-45; Hammond Jno. A 1940; Lord Robert J.

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1936; 6 houses being built

1935; Vacant

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.