

PLACE IDENTIFICATION FORM

ADDRESS

759 Bunwood Road

TYPE

- Single Residence
- Shop
- Office
- Landscape feature
- View
- Multiple Unit Res.
- Outbuildings
- Industrial Building
- Public building
- Other (hospital)

TITLE

EXISTING DESIGNATION

HBR [ ] GBR [ ] AHC [ ] NT [ ] VAS [ ]

STREETSCAPE LEVEL

1 [ ] 2 [ ] 3 [X]  
SIGNIFICANT [ ] SIGNIFICANT [ ]  
STREET TREES KERB & GUTTERS

GRADING

A [ ] B [X] C [ ] D [ ] E [ ]  
KEYNOTE BUILDING [ ]

RECOMMENDED FOR

HBR/GBR [ ] AHC [X] URBAN CONSERVATION AREA [X]  
VAS [ ] PLANNING SCHEME PROTECTION [X]  
CULTURAL LANDSCAPE [ ] OTHER [ ]

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Title  
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THEME

- Early Settlement
- Mansions
- Victorian Garden Suburb
- Municipal dev.
- 1870s growth
- Garden villas
- Working enclaves
- Commercial Centres
- Edwardian Prosperity
- Interwar Housing
- Flats and Offices

CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

Date c 1875-1880.  
Architect  
Builder  
Elements -  
House, garden.



- Contributing garden
- Landmark tree
- Original or early hard landscape layout
- Original or early fence

NOTABLE FEATURES/SIGNIFICANCE

See attached

INTEGRITY	Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CONDITION	Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>		Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Poor	<input type="checkbox"/>		Poor	<input type="checkbox"/>

CROSS REFERENCED INFORMATION

Associated significant garden [ ]

## 759 BURWOOD ROAD

### History

An attempt to research this building by an examination of Hawthorn rate records, Sands and McDougall Directories and a 1901-2 MMBW drainage plan has so far proved unsuccessful. It has been impossible to discover the earlier numbering of this property, which in 1964 was listed as the Heatherleigh Private Hospital. A title search is recommended.

### Description

A rendered garden villa, symmetrical about the entry, and flanked by bay projections. The verandah extends across the full width of the building and returns on each side. From street level inspection, the verandah posts appear to be timber. These are paired, with wider pairing at the entry to accommodate even "straight" decoration across the whole verandah. The roof is hipped and clad with slate. Each bay is expressed at roof level with faceted hipped projections.

Stone piers set at 45° mark the entry with a curving stair. Urns or sculptures are likely to have terminated the piers originally. The house is set in extensive grounds.

### Assessment

Two common single storey villa types occur in the peak of Hawthorn's Victorian garden suburb development during the 1880s and 1890s. One is forward facing with a double bay, central door and verandah reflecting the bay form e.g. 22 Elm Street. The second type is "L" shaped with a return verandah terminating at the projecting leg of the "L" - sometimes, as in 8 Elmie Street, a projection also terminated the far return end to the verandah. Bichrome brickwork or red brickwork render dressings is typical.

This building illustrates the typical late 1870s form which developed into the common boom period villa. Here the verandah does not reflect the bay projection. A similar example was found at 9 Kildare Street of 1874 (now altered) on a mansion house. This is a smaller example and more intact.

The building is substantially intact externally, and an excellent example of its type.

### Significance

Metropolitan

1. Architecturally significant as an intact example of the typical 1870s garden villa form in Hawthorn.