

HILLDENE

Place No. 200

ADDRESS 36 Octantis Street
Doncaster East

Last Update

DESCRIPTION -

Condition -	Integrity	Not known
Threats	Key elements	
Designer		

HISTORY

'Hilldene', formerly located on the corner of Blackburn and Andersons Creek Roads, is a large bungalow house of c1921. It was built for Ernest Wagstaff, the first General Manager of the Shell Company in Australia and New Zealand [1]. The land on which it stands was first planted as an orchard in the 1880s by John Cronin. For Wagstaff it was really only a 'hobby' farm, and he employed a manager, Jack Snell, to work the orchard. Snell lived in the original orchard cottage.

The locality has long been known as Wagstaff's corner.

In 1936 it was bought by William Langlands Jack and enlarged by him, with a new grand entrance and extending the house by joining on the old cottage. The land around the house has since been subdivided.

SOURCES

[1] Doncaster and Templestowe Historical Society Newsletter, March 1990.

Creation Date c.1921

Change Dates

Associations

Local Themes

Ernest Wagstaff

5.03 - Eight hour pioneer settlement

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Of local significance for its associations with Ernest Wagstaff, and with earlier orcharding activities. Once a local landmark at "Wagstaff's corner". Subdivision of the area has resulted in the loss of this aspect of its significance.

LEVEL

RECOMMENDATIONS

Heritage Register Listings

Register	Reference	Zoning	Status
None Specified			

Extent

Heritage Schedule

External Paint Controls:	On VHR:	VHR Ref No:
Internal Alteration Controls:	Prohibited Uses:	
Tree Controls:	Aboriginal Heritage Place:	
Outbuildings or Fences:	Incorporated Plan:	Incorporated Plan Details
Description:		

Conservation Management

Extra Research

BIBLIOGRAPHY