

4.0 PLACES OF HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

4.1 Scope of Identified Items

This Study has identified areas, buildings, parks and reserves, streets and street engineering and trees of cultural significance.

4.2 Areas Recommended for Heritage Protection Measures

The following areas are recommended for Heritage Protection Measures under the Planning Scheme. On a Municipality wide basis these areas are the best, rather than every representation of the themes of development at Hawthorn. Map A in Appendix C of this report shows the boundaries of the proposed Areas. The character of each area is outlined below with its common characteristics.

4.2.1. Grace Park Precinct (Existing U.C.A.) Representative of Edwardian Prosperity

In 1884 Grace Park was subdivided in response to the now excellent train service, and Hawthorn's growing status as a desirable place to live. The town plan was innovative. It incorporated the essential features of a commodious garden suburb: a major park; a serpentine road network with concealed service lanes; large garden allotments; and eventually street tree planting. Shops nearby serviced the new development. The buildings were constructed over a short period of time in two bursts. First around 1885 then after the 1890s depression and resolution of leasehold problems around 1905 - 1910. They were constituted to a remarkably consistent pattern. The combination of planning and uniform building have produced a precinct of State significance for its reflection of Edwardian prosperity and the garden suburb ideal.

Common characteristics

- detached single residences in a garden setting
- large front and side setbacks
- no driveway (entrance from lane), concealed garages
- large allotments of even size
- front fences 1.2m - 1.4m high and visually permeable
- single storey generally, double storey, generally only where part of the roof form
- prominent roof shapes, slate generally, sometimes T.C. tiles
- complex plan forms
- verandah to part of the principal elevation
- red brick walls, render trims
- timber windows
- little paving to front gardens

4.2.2 Hawthorn Grove Precinct (Existing U.C.A.) Representative of The Growth of Hawthorn as a garden suburb 1856-1900

Whereas early mansion settlement and the St. James Park subdivision were exclusive land developments, the Hawthorn Grove Area is the first suburban development. It was developed over a short period of time, has remarkably