

**BELMONT HERITAGE REPORT (INDIVIDUAL CITATIONS)  
(FORMERLY PART OF THE GREATER GEELONG OUTER AREAS HERITAGE STUDY STAGE 2)**

ADMINISTRATIVE SHEET

<p><b>Existing Use/Type</b> Suburban Residential</p> <p><b>Survey Date</b> [ ]</p> <p><b>Cons Man Plan</b> [ ]</p> <p><b>Recorded By</b> David Rowe</p>	<p><b>Key Dates</b> Original 1935-36</p> <p><b>Major Changes</b> [ ]</p> <p><b>Precinct Name</b> [ ]</p>	<p><b>Site Address</b> No. 264 Street/Site Name High Street</p> <p><b>Town/Suburb</b> Belmont <b>Postcode</b> 3216</p> <p><b>Current Site Name</b> House</p>
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**Heritage Status**

**Register of the National Estate**  
Database No. [ ] File No. [ ]

**Victorian Heritage Register**  
[ ]

**Planning Scheme:**  
C.G.G. [ ]

**Heritage Inventory (Archaeological)**  
[ ]

**National Trust Register:**  
[ ] [ ]

**Other:**  
[ ]

**Recommended Heritage Listings**

Victorian Heritage Register  
 Victorian Heritage Inventory  
 Register of the National Estate  
 HO City of Greater Geelong

**Heritage Study Degrees of Significance**

A H C Assessment Criteria	Significance Level	
Aesthetic value	D.2	Local
Historic value	A.4	Local
Scientific value	[ ]	[ ]
Social value	[ ]	[ ]
<b>Overall Significance Level</b>	<b>Local</b>	

**Condition of the fabric**

Excellent  
 Good  
 Fair  
 Poor  
 Ruinous  
 Unexposed

**Integrity of the site**

Excellent  
 Good  
 Fair  
 Poor  
 Partially excavated  
 Fully excavated

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TECHNICAL SHEET

Precinct Name

**Site Plan/Location Sketch (not to scale)**



**Site Address**

No.  Street/Site Name

Town/Suburb  Postcode

Site Name

**Australian Map Grid Co-ordinates**

E 266465km N 5770430km

Map

Scale

Ownership

**Cadastral Location**

County

Parish

Allotment

Block

**Types of Sites**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> monument     | <input type="checkbox"/> recreational | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> residential | <input type="checkbox"/> aviation   | <input type="checkbox"/> gate    | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building |
| <input type="checkbox"/> industrial   | <input type="checkbox"/> public       | <input type="checkbox"/> infrastructure         | <input type="checkbox"/> relic/ruin | <input type="checkbox"/> tree(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> religious | <input type="checkbox"/> educational         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> agricultural | <input type="checkbox"/> commercial   | <input type="checkbox"/> maritime               | <input type="checkbox"/> fence      | <input type="checkbox"/> garden  | <input type="checkbox"/> machinery | <input type="checkbox"/> miscellaneous       |

**Historical Themes**

Heritage Study Theme	AHC Theme No.	Heritage Study Theme	AHC Theme No.
Early settlement <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Industry <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Maritime <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Community Life <input type="text" value="clHomes"/>	<input type="text"/>
Tourism <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Urbanization <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Transport <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Landscapes <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Townships <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Miscellaneous <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

**Significant Architectural Features**

- Original Materials
  - Original Chimneys
  - Wall Decoration
  - Verandah Structure
  - Verandah Decoration
  - Original Parapet
  - Other Prominent Elevations
  - Appropriate Fence
  - Early Garden
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|---------------------|--|
| Roof                | <input type="text" value="Form"/>                          |
| Openings            | <input type="text" value="Windows"/>                       |
| Decoration          | <input type="text" value="Gable, Lead Light"/>             |
| Finish              | <input type="text" value="Painted"/>                       |
| Stylistic Character | <input type="text" value="Interwar Californian Bungalow"/> |

**Present Threats**

- Human; mining
- Human; visitor erosion
- Human; vandalism
- Human; development
- Human; conservation/maintenance
- Human; stock
- Natural Forces; erosion
- Natural Forces; vegetation
- Not threatened

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<b>Site Address</b>	<b>No.</b> 264	<b>Street/Site Name</b> High Street	<b>Town/Suburb</b> Belmont	<b>Postcode</b> 3216	<b>C O N T E X T U A L  S H E E T</b>
	<b>Site Name</b>		House		
<b>Description</b>					
<p>The house at 264 High Street has typical front and side setbacks, with a driveway along the side. These setbacks are shown on the 1960 GWST Plan of Drainage.<sup>3</sup> The front is bound by a timber picket fence, approximately 1200mm high.</p> <p>The asymmetrical, single storey, horizontal weatherboard, interwar Californian Bungalow is characterised by a recessed gable roof form that traverses the site, together with two gables and a flat roofed corner verandah porch that project towards the street frontage. These roof forms are clad in painted, lapped galvanised corrugated iron. Wide overhangs and exposed rafters are features of the eaves. The early timber framed double hung windows are arranged as a pair and horizontal bank of three on the street facade, and are supported by worked timber brackets. The front timber and glazed? door with sidelights is also early.</p> <p>A feature of the design is the flat roofed corner verandah porch. It is supported by early square timber posts grouped as a pair and as three which in turn are supported by painted brick piers with concrete cappings.</p> <p>Early decorative features of the design include the window leadlighting, gable brackets and the gable infill (brackets, shingling, roughcast panelling and timber battening).</p>					
<b>History</b>					
<p>The site at 264 High Street originally formed lot 48 of the Belmont Hill Estate subdivision of 1911.<sup>1</sup> By 1931-32, this block was owned by Claude Sargeant, an accountant, and he sold it to Mrs S. Seward of Freshwater Creek soon after.<sup>2</sup> Mrs Seward had this house built in 1935-36, and she leased it to Harold McKewan, a mechanic.<sup>2</sup> By 1942-43, the house was leased to Clarence O'Meare and by the mid 1950s Mrs Seward had sold the property to Victor Gordon Heal.<sup>2</sup> He lived there until at least the 1960s.<sup>2,3</sup></p>					
<b>Heritage Precinct: Significant Urban Character Features visually connected to this place</b> <i>(this section is only applicable to places in precincts)</i>					
					Precinct Name <input style="width:150px;" type="text"/>
<b>Neighbouring Buildings</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Similar Types <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate Bulk/Form <input type="checkbox"/> Similar Styles <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate Architectural Detailing <input type="checkbox"/> Similar Construction Dates <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate Materials & Finishes <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate Set Backs <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate Fence Designs & Locations				
	<b>Urban Design</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Historical Development <input type="checkbox"/> Original Paving <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Urban Focii <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate Allotment Sizes <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Views <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate Street Furniture <input type="checkbox"/> Original Kerbing			
<b>Landscaping</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Treelines <input type="checkbox"/> Public Gardens <input type="checkbox"/> Median Strips <input type="checkbox"/> Nature Strips				

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	264	High Street	Belmont	3216
	<b>Site Name</b>		House	

**Comparative Listings**

**Statement of Cultural Significance**

The house at 264 High Street is *aesthetically* significant at a **LOCAL** level. It demonstrates original design qualities of the interwar Californian Bungalow style. These qualities include the recessed gable roof form that traverses the site, together with two gables and a flat roofed corner verandah porch that project towards the street frontage. Other intact qualities include the horizontal weatherboard wall cladding, painted and lapped galvanised corrugated iron roof cladding, wide eaves and exposed rafters, timber framed double hung windows arranged as a pair and as a horizontal bank of three and supported by worked timber brackets, front timber and glazed? door with sidelights, square timber verandah posts grouped as a pair and as three and the painted brick piers with concrete cappings, window leadlighting, gable brackets and the decorative gable infill (brackets, shingling, roughcast panelling and timber battening).

The house at 264 High Street is *historically* significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with the Belmont Hill Estate subdivision of 1911.

Overall, the house at 264 High Street is of **LOCAL** significance.

**References**

1. Belmont Hill Estate subdivision plan, August, 1911, Geelong Historical Records Centre.
2. Shire of South Barwon Rate Books, 1931-32, 1933-34, 1934-35, 1935-36, 1942-43, 1955-57, 1957-60.
3. Drainage Plans and Inspectors' Reports, 1960, Barwon Water Profis system.

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