

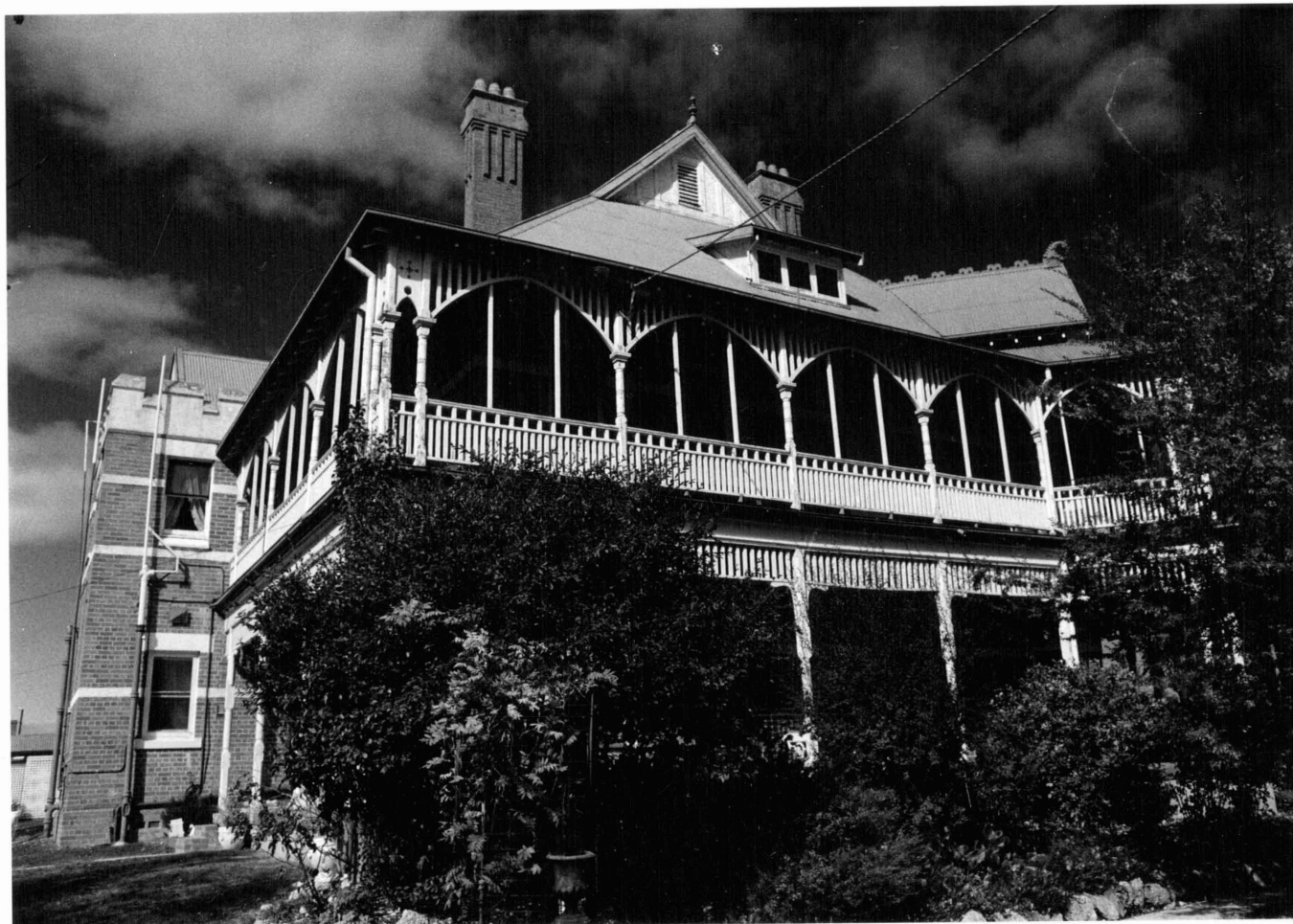
**LANGLEY HALL
HOUSE
484 NAPIER STREET, WHITE HILLS**

SURVEY DATE: 1991-2

STUDY GRADING: A

CONSTRUCTION DATE: 1904

FIRST OWNER : ANGLICAN CHURCH



CITATION:

History

'The memorial stone for Bishop Langley's new palace was laid by the Very Rev. Dean MacCullagh on 7 September, 1904. A palace was needed for the new diocese, but why this site was chosen is now known. Bishop Langley, the first Bishop, lived here, as did the second Bishop, his brother, John Langley. The third Bishop, Bishop Baker, preferred however a more central location and 'Bishopscourt' (see p.63) in Forest Street was acquired for him and his successors.

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Since that time, Langley Hall has served variously as a Red Cross Hostel, a theological college and a home for unmarried mothers. From 1932 until 1978 the Mission of St. James and St. John conducted St. Luke's Children's Home here. It was later used as a restaurant and reception centre.

The last phase of the illustrious professional career of W.C. Vahland, following the death of his son, Henry, was in partnership with John Beebe, William's brother. Whether

Vahland contributed more than his name to the partnership is not yet known¹.

Description

This complex also includes a timber hall and clinker brick residence/office (presumably part of the children's home) built in the neo-Tudor style of the 1930s, presumably all related to the historical development of the site.

1 Butcher & Flanders p.157