# Fenton Street Statement of Significance April 2021

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### What is significant?

The Fenton Street precinct, which is a residential area comprising Federation and Edwardian era houses constructed c.1910 to c.1920 at nos. 1-49 and 2-38 Fenton Street, Ascot Vale is significant.

The following buildings and features contribute to the significance of the place:

- The Contributory houses at nos. 1-7, 11-49 and 2-38 Fenton Street.
- The visual homogeneity created by the similar (or in some cases, identical) form, materials, detailing, ornament and siting of the houses, most of which demonstrate Queen Anne influences.
- The extent to which development in one period after 1910 is apparent and the high level of integrity to the original period with only one non-contributory house.
- The low front fences, which allow views to the front and side elevations of the houses.
- The relatively high intactness of the majority of the houses when viewed from the street.
- The bluestone kerb and channel and bluestone laneway adjacent to no.2 Fenton Street.

Non-original alterations and additions to the Contributory houses are not significance, and the house at no.9 is Non-contributory.

#### How is it significant?

The Fenton Street precinct is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Moonee Valley.

#### Why is it significant?

Historically, the precinct demonstrates the rapid residential development in Ascot Vale in the early decades of the twentieth century, which was stimulated by the development of the electric tramway network. (Criterion A)

Aesthetically, the precinct is significant as a visually homogenous streetscape of Edwardian era houses, some with Queen Anne influences, which are related in scale, form and detailing. (Criteria D & E)

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