

## 32-42 Taylor Street, Moonee Ponds Statement of Significance

Heritage Place:	Lamboreen Villas	PS ref no:	HO524
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32-42 Taylor Street, Moonee Ponds, principal elevation (April 2018) (source: Context, 2018)

### What is significant?

Lamboreen Villas, 32-42 Taylor Street, Moonee Ponds, a two-storey Italianate terrace row built in 1881 is significant.

Significant elements include the:

- original built form and roof forms of individual terraces;
- wing walls including their decorative ends where intact; original chimneys, parapets and ornamentation;
- pattern of fenestration, original window and door joinery; two-level cast iron verandahs including original posts, cast iron balustrades and friezes; and
- original tessellated verandah floor tiles

The rear extensions to Nos 32 and 42 are not significant.

### How is it significant?

Lamboreen Villas, 32-42 Taylor Street, Moonee Ponds, is of local architectural significance to the City of Moonee Valley.

### Why is it significant?

Lamboreen Villas, 32-42 Taylor Street, Moonee Ponds, constructed in 1881, is significant as an Italianate terrace. The Italianate style is well represented in the City of Moonee Valley, however most examples are individual houses, with terraces being less common. Two-storey terraces such as

Lambooreen Villas are a relatively uncommon type within the City of Moonee Valley and 32-42 Taylor Street has a high integrity consistent with other examples on the Heritage Overlay. These include 2-8 Bayview Terrace, Ascot Vale c1890 (HO18), and 18-20 Davies Street, Moonee Ponds, c1890 (HO174). The place retains its original overall building form and other distinguishing elements of a Victorian-era terrace including the repetitive forms of each house divided by party walls, front verandahs, and fenestration pattern.

Lambooreen Villas demonstrate key elements of the Italianate style including the narrow allotment width of each house and front setbacks that allow for small front gardens. The two storey verandahs featuring cast iron balustrades and friezes are signature elements of the Italianate style and are evident on each of the houses. The style is also evident in the materials of plain brick and cement render with decorative render work applied to the parapets, chimneys, party walls and to enhance fenestration. Patterns of fenestration conform to established rhythm of single narrow sashes with side panels employed for larger windows.

The main elements of the two-storey terrace house form and the Italianate style are well represented in Lambooreen Villas at a high level of integrity that is consistent with other examples on the Heritage Overlay. (Criterion D)

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