

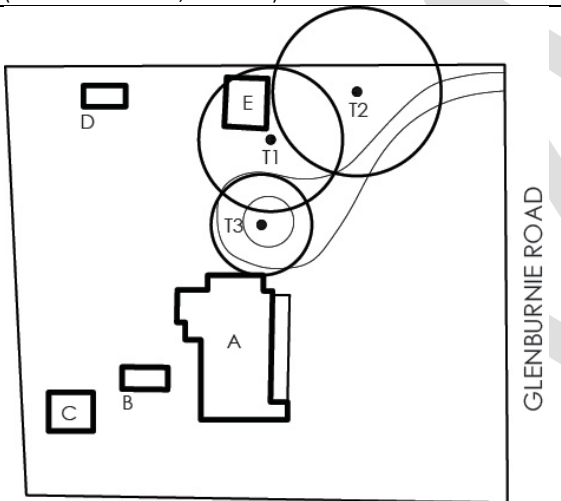


WHITEHORSE PLANNING SCHEME

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

'MINAMERE', 42-48 GLENBURNIE ROAD, MITCHAM

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Heritage Place:	'Minamere', 42-48 Glenburnie Road, Mitcham	PS Ref No:	HO296
			
'Minamere', 42-48 Glenburnie Road, Mitcham (Coleman Architects, Nov 2108)		Heritage Overlay (to title boundaries)	
			
<p><i>Location of structures and contributory trees.</i> A – House, B – Bungalow (Non-contributory), C – Outbuilding (Non-contributory), D – Outbuilding (Non-contributory), E – Steel garage (Non-contributory), T1 – Cupressus macrocarpa, T2 – Cupressus sempervirens, T3 – Quercus robur.</p>			

What is significant?

Minamere, at 42-48 Glenburnie Road, Mitcham, a single-storey timber Californian Bungalow constructed in about 1926.

Elements that contribute to the significance of the place include (but are not limited to):

- The house's original form and materials.
- The house's high level of integrity to its original design and construction
- The house's setting in a large garden allotment sited to appreciate the views to the Dandenong Ranges.

- Surviving mature trees particularly the Monterey Cypress (*Cupressus macrocarpa*) and Mediterranean Cypress (*Cupressus sempervirens*) on the north boundary and the English Oak (*Quercus robur*) in the driveway turning circle.

Later alterations at the south-west corner of the house, the free-standing bungalow and other outbuildings are not significant.

How is it significant?

Minamere, at 42-48 Glenburnie Road, Mitcham, is of historical and architectural significance to the City of Whitehorse.

Why is it significant?

Minamere is historically significant for its association with the suburban development of the Mitcham area in the 1920s. It clearly represents the move by some purchasers to pursue a semi-rural lifestyle on larger lots on the then, urban fringe. It is one of a small group of houses of the Interwar period in the Mitcham area that still maintains its large garden setting. [Criterion A]

Minamere is of architectural significance as a fine, substantially intact and representative example of a Californian Bungalow style house. It displays typical characteristics of the style, popular in the 1920s and 30s across Melbourne and Victoria, including the low-pitched transverse gable, terracotta tiled roof with intersecting gables, exposed rafter ends, projecting boxed windows and wide verandahs. It is of particular interest for its adaptation to its semi-rural environment and the views to the east at the time of construction, particularly the wide verandah extending across the principal elevation. Its setting in a large garden represents the desire of some middle-class Melbournians to live in a semi-rural environment on the outer fringes of the city. [Criterion D]

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