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# 'Maritimo' Fence



'Maritimo' Fence, Hobsons Bay Heritage Study 2006

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## Location

8-9 The Strand WILLIAMSTOWN, Hobsons Bay City

## Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO283

## Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

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## Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The cast iron fence and gates of 'Maritimo', constructed c.1885 at 8-9 The Strand, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

The cast iron fence and gates of 'Maritimo' at 8-9 The Strand, Williamstown are of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is the only surviving fabric associated with the 'Maritimo' mansion, now demolished, which was constructed as the residence of important local identity, William Croker, in 1885. It is therefore important for its ability to assist in understanding the history of this place as well as the surrounding precinct. (AHC criteria A4, D2 and H1)

Aesthetically, it is notable as a large and fine example of this type of fence, which is uncommon within the Williamstown area and expresses the importance of the William Croker as well as indicating of grandeur of the mansion that once occupied this site. It contributes to the historic character of The Strand. (AHC criteria B2, E1 and F1)

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## Physical Description 1

A cast iron palisade fence with a splayed dressed bluestone plinth, divided into six bays, each with a gate. Other significant or original elements include:

- Alternating tall and short palisades.

- Driveway entrances at each end, flanked by cast iron pillars surmounted with lamps (possibly not original)

It is believed that the fence was altered at the time that the original mansion on this site was demolished.

## Integrity

External Integrity and condition

*Integrity - Moderate. Condition - Good*

## Physical Description 2

Context

One of a small number of original fences along the Strand.

## Historical Australian Themes

Making Suburbs

## Physical Description 3

## *Associations*

William Croker

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