

Statement of Significance: Lucknow, 20 Millicent Avenue, Toorak, October 2023

Heritage Place: Lucknow, Toorak	PS ref no: HO730
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(Source: Extent Heritage Pty Ltd, 2021)

What is significant?

The property at 20 Millicent Avenue, Toorak, otherwise known as Lucknow, is significant. Specifically, the form, scale, detailing and materiality of the transitional late Victorian and Edwardian style residence, is of local heritage significance. The garage, front boundary fence and later alterations and additions to the property are not significant.

How is it significant?

Lucknow is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Stonnington.

Why is it significant?

Lucknow is historically significant as grand transitional late Victorian and Edwardian residence erected between c.1895-1900, following the 1888 subdivision of the Millicent Estate. Connected to the 1880s land boom, which saw urban character changes and a period of rapid subdivision of Victorian estates and development across the City of Stonnington, Lucknow forms a tangible link to the late Victorian subdivision story of Toorak, and illustrates the suburb's growing upper-middle class towards the turn of the 20th century. (Criterion A)

Lucknow is aesthetically significant as a visually striking residence that seamlessly incorporates features from both the late Victorian and Edwardian styles. Key features contributing to its aesthetic value include a hipped and gabled roof form with profiled chimneys, terracotta tiles and decorative finials, a bay window with a parapet and festoon mouldings, a wraparound verandah with ground floor arched loggia and upper floor timber balustrade defined by a quatrefoil design and a turned slatted timber valance, and decorative gable ends with rough cast render, timber battens and moulded ornamentation. (Criterion E)

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