

## AD 2001 Ashfield Heritage Study Review of Areas Zoned 2(a)

<b>Name of Item</b> House	<b>Reference N°</b> 1 16 05																								
<b>Other Names</b> 'Wyoming'																									
<b>Address</b> 14 Palace Street	<b>Land Title</b>																								
<b>Locality</b> Ashfield <span style="float: right;"><b>Postcode</b></span>																									
<b>Item Type</b> Building	<b>Owner/s</b>																								
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<b>Statement of Significance</b>  This Federation house has a fine bearing and well-kept intactness which well typifies another version of the Queen Anne style so important to the character and history of Ashfield	<b>Condition as observed from street</b> — <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Intact  <b>Minor alteration</b> — <input type="checkbox"/> Sympathetic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsympathetic  <b>Major alteration</b> — <input type="checkbox"/> Sympathetic <input type="checkbox"/> Unsympathetic																								
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<b>Current Use</b> Residence, 'Wyoming', 14 Palace Street, Ashfield	<b>Reference N°</b> 1 16 05
<b>Heritage Listing</b> Recommended	
<b>Themes : Local</b> Subdivision and consolidation	<b>Themes : State</b> Towns, suburbs and villages
<p><b>Historical Notes</b></p> <p>In the first settlement this area was part of a 1794 grant made to John Clephan, which by about 1820 had been incorporated into Robert Campbell's extensive Canterbury Park Estate. A portion of this later became the Queen's Grove Estate, subdivided into 61 allotments. This house was subsequently erected on Lot 8 of Section 2 of that estate, In 1897 the unimproved land, owned by Joseph Wright, was sold to Rosa Simons, wife of J G Nelson, a builder.(1)</p> <p>Nelson erected the house in 1898,(2) and occupied it until 1901, when he named it 'Wyoming' and sold the property to Mrs Emma Byrnes.(3) The occupier from 1901 to 1907 was J L Byrnes, JP, after which there was a succession of tenants including Archibald Woods (1909-10) and Gerald Darvall (1912-15). In 1928 the property was valued at £425 unimproved and £1,300 improved.(4)</p> <p>In 1923 the property was bought by H S Thomas, whose family has occupied the house until the present time.(5)</p>	
<p><b>Physical Description</b></p> <p>A single-storey Queen Anne-style residence located on the high side of the street and elevated above footpath level. The format is the expected one, with an L-shaped plan comprising a main hipped roof of glazed terra cotta tiles (originally slates) from which a gabled wing projects towards the street. The walling is of fine brown face brick, tuckpointed on the facade. A window bay projects further from the front bay and contains two slender windows. The gable itself has an interesting stepped bargeboard screen ensemble surmounted by an apex finial, and the house name is done in modelled cement in the tympanum. The verandah, which has a roof less steeply pitched than the main roof, is decorated with timber posts, brackets and balustered frieze. Its floor is of encaustic tiles and marble steps lead up from the front path. The front windows have double-hung sashes, the top sashes glazed with small panes of coloured glass and the lower ones glazed in plain single panes. The sills are rendered and moulded and have cement aprons. There are some original interiors.</p> <p>The garden complements the house, with one large mature tree. The front fence, a facsimile of the original, is pleasingly appropriate, with posts and pickets on a brick base. It has a 'Cyclone' type gate and double gates to a side driveway leading to a garage well back at the rear of the site. The chimneys have been removed.</p>	
<p><b>Information Sources</b></p> <p>(1) Higinbotham &amp; Robinson map, 1883; Subdivision Plan, March 1885, marks the site as 'sold'. Additional information from Mrs Noelle E Lee, the present owner.</p> <p>(2) Rate Books, South Ward, 1897, No 635 and 1898, No 616. Ashfield Council Archives.</p> <p>(3) Rate Book, <i>ibid</i>, 1901, No 613.</p> <p>(4) Rate Book, <i>ibid</i>, 1902, No 613; Valuer General's records, <i>ibid</i>, 1908-10, No 1532, and 1928, No 1587.</p> <p>(5) <i>Sands Directories</i>. Additional information from Mrs Noelle E Lee.</p>	