

## Ashfield Heritage Study Inventory Sheets 2010

<b>Name of Item</b>	Residence, 'Allenbank', part of Group	<b>Reference N°</b>	10/57																								
<b>Other Names</b>	'Westonia' (1908)																										
<b>Address</b>	6 Wellesley Street	<b>Land Title</b>																									
<b>Locality</b>	Summer Hill	<b>Postcode</b>	2130																								
<b>Item Type</b>	Building	<b>Owner/s</b>																									
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<b>Statement of Significance</b>	<p>The Wellesley Street houses are evaluated as a Group as well as individually. The Group is significant for its relationship to the early Quarantine Ground and its subdivision, with which the street is roughly contemporary. It is also significant for the considerable variety in the dates of construction of the individual buildings and consequently for their interesting range of architectural styles. As well, the historical data associated with each is significant.</p> <p>This house however has had its original character defaced by reskinning, re-roofing, fenestration changes, the addition of a garage and an uncharacteristic fence.(1)</p>		<p><b>Condition as observed from street —</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Intact</p> <p><b>Minor alteration —</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sympathetic</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Unsympathetic</p> <p><b>Major alteration —</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sympathetic</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsympathetic</p> <p><b>Modifications —</b></p> <p>The architecture and streetscape presence have been seriously compromised.</p>																								
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<p><b>Current Use</b> Residential</p>	<p><b>Reference N°</b> 10/57</p>
<p><b>Heritage Listing</b>    Ashfield Local Environmental Plan 1985, Schedule 7</p>	
<p><b>Themes : Local</b> Subdivision and consolidation</p>	<p><b>Themes : State</b> Towns, suburbs and villages</p>
<p><b>Historical Notes</b></p> <p>The land in this area was granted to Joseph Foveaux in 1794. It was ultimately incorporated into Robert Campbell's Canterbury Park Estate and was still owned by Sophia Campbell when the present Wellesley Street became the south boundary of a quarantine station. These allotments on the south side of Wellesley Street are generally slightly wider than those created when the quarantine ground was subdivided.</p> <p>Wellesley Street, named after the famous Duke of Wellington, was named in 1878. No houses were built here until 1882, when the Ashfield Rate Book for that year shows John Barrie as the owner of the pair of semi-detached houses at Nos 36-38.</p> <p>This house was first occupied by the owner James Nicol, an orchardist, in 1887.(2) Long after his death it continued to be owned by his estate, until the property was sold Thomas Frederick Gobert in 1946. In 1961 the owner was Giuseppe Catanzariti and its improved valuation was recorded as £4,500.(2)</p>	
<p><b>Physical Description</b></p> <p>The properties in this Wellesley Street Group were part of what was called the Quarantine Ground Conservation Area in the 1991-92 Ashfield Heritage Study. In the event, however, Council did not so incorporate them in the Conservation Area but scheduled them separately as individual heritage items. This is one of those 17 buildings in the Group so scheduled.</p> <p>The original style of the house can no longer be discerned, for it has been seriously compromised by re-skinning and extensive changes.</p>	
<p><b>Information Sources</b></p> <p>(1) The footprint of the house is shown on the Water Board Detail Series map of c 1890. It reads as an Italianate plan form.</p> <p>(2) See also the Inventory Sheets for Nos 8 and 20 Wellesley Street.</p> <p>(3) Information about owners and valuations are to be found in the Archives of Ashfield Council. Details of occupancies are recorded in <i>Sands Directories</i>.</p>	