

**Place name Precinct - Sale Victoria Park**

**Survey Date:**

**Other name**

**Id:**

888

**Street** - Cunninghame, Dundas, Macalister, Marley & Market streets and Guthridge P

**Last Update**

**Locality** Sale

**Postcode**

**Official Locality**

**Property No** HO121

**Local Government Area** Wellington Shire

**Precinct:** Precinct - Sale Victoria Park

**Easting**

**Northing**

**Map**

**Workshop number**

**Workshop votes**

**Field survey number**

**Community priority**

**Designer**

**Builder**

**Ownership**

**Built Date** c.1860-195 **Change Date**

**Description** This is a large residential precinct centred around Victoria Park, Sale State School and St Paul's Cathedral. It includes sections of Macalister, Cunninghame, Marley, Market, Barkly and Dundas Streets.

The Victoria Park Precinct is a high quality and very intact middle class residential area. Notable elements include:

- The nineteenth century 'town common' comprising Victoria Park, the Sale State School and the two landmark former Water Towers that form the centrepiece of the precinct. St Paul's Cathedral on the north side of Cunninghame Street provides a continuation of this civic precinct.
- The housing, which predominantly dates from the Victorian to the inter-war era in a range of styles that reflect popular middle class tastes from these periods. Although the styles differ, the housing is related in terms of its siting (detached with front garden setbacks), scale (predominantly single storey although there are some 'attic' style villas) and form (asymmetrical in plan with complex hip or gable roofs). Most are set within mature gardens. Front fences are predominantly low and some houses, particularly those from the Inter-war period retain original front fences that complement the houses.
- The mature Elms along Macalister Street, and mature exotic specimen trees in gardens such as the Magnolia grandifloras at 152 and 154 Macalister Street, and the oaks at 156 and 158 Macalister Street
- The unmade road verges and early brick barrel drains within the road reserves in some streets.

**Condition**

**Integrity**

Residential

Buildings  
Landscape

**National Themes**

**Local Themes**

7. BUILDING SETTLEMENTS & TOW  
7.1 Ports

**History**

The Victoria Park precinct is within the Sale township grid, surveyed in 1857, that provided sites for a number of community purposes, including a Market Reserve - now Victoria Park - and the Sale State School (1882-3) - with the landmark water towers set within the park landscape.

Around the Market Reserve were housing allotments, 2 acres on the south side of Macalister Street, half an acre with a wide street frontage on the north side and along Cunninghame Street and narrow half acre sites along the north-south streets. This hierarchy of allotments meant the sites with a wide street frontage developed for more affluent housing during the 1880s in Macalister Street. At the eastern end of Macalister Street, a similar quality and size of housing continued to be established in the early years of the twentieth century, often on the subdivided allotments of older houses. Between Market and Marley Street a large site was developed for St Paul's Cathedral.

The north-south streets, Barkley Marley and Dundas, contain a greater variety of housing sizes, most dating from the late nineteenth century and early twentieth centuries.

**Heritage Protections**

Register	Reference	Zoning	Status
Planning Scheme			Recommended

**National Estate**

**Research Required**

**Recommendations**

**Fieldwork priority?**

**Stage 1 Ranking** Assessed: Sale Heritage Stu **Stage 2 priority** Planning Scheme: Precinct

**Final Ranking** Local significance **Final Recommendation**

**Statement of significance** The Victoria Park precinct, comprising Victoria Park, and the Sale State School and surrounding properties at 15-47 & 12-46 Barkly Street, 123-89 & 130-88 Cunninghame Street, 6-26 Dundas Street, 87-181 & 102-200 Macalister Street, 59 & 61-3 Market Street, and 31-71 & 14-72 Marley Street is of local historic and aesthetic significance to Wellington Shire. Historically, it is significant as an illustration of the civic and residential development of Sale in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries and as place where Sale’s more affluent and influential citizens chose to reside. Aesthetically, it is significant as an outstanding example of a middle class residential precinct within Sale, which comprises mostly larger bungalows and villas in garden settings. The precinct is especially notable for the magnificent avenue of Elm trees in Macalister Street, Victoria Park, the Sale Primary School and St Paul's Cathedral complex, all places of outstanding significance in their own right. (RNE criteria A.4, D.2 & E.1)

**Extent of designation**

**Informant**

**Notes**

**Follow up**

**Bibliography** Context Pty Ltd, (1994), City of Sale Heritage Study

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