



Heritage Citation



Albermarle

Key details

Also known as	Manaro, The Priory
Addresses	At 77 Hillside Crescent, Hamilton, Queensland 4007
Type of place	House
Period	Victorian 1860-1890
Style	Queenslander
Lot plan	L9_RP44272
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 1 January 2004 Date of Citation — March 2011
Construction	Roof: Corrugated iron; Walls: Stone

Historical evidence indicated that this large two-storey sandstone house was built in the mid-1880s for Richard Jarman, a successful Brisbane saddler. Jarman had an award winning saddlery business in Queen Street, described in his advertising as the “largest Saddlery and Harness Manufacturer in Queensland”. Jarman, whose establishment made a saddle which was presented to the Prince of Wales at the Colonial and Indian Exhibition in London in 1880, also had branch businesses in Townsville and Beaudesert.

Jarman and his wife, Elizabeth, acquired over an acre of land in 1881-82 on elevated ground between Hillside Crescent and Crescent Road (then named Weekes Street). The new house, which could be accessed by a steep stairway from Crescent Road, was named ‘Manaro’. The property was sold in 1899 to Captain Thomas Almond, the Portmaster of Brisbane, who renamed the house ‘The Priory’. After the death of Captain Almond in 1902, the house appears to have been rented and renamed ‘Albermarle’.

Statement of significance

Relevant assessment criteria

This is a place of local heritage significance and meets one or more of the local heritage criteria under the Heritage planning scheme policy of the *Brisbane City Plan 2014*. It is significant because:

Historical

CRITERION A

The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the city's or local area's history

because it demonstrates the continuing pattern of construction of fine homes on the hills of Hamilton in the late nineteenth century for Brisbane's affluent families.

Rarity

CRITERION B

The place demonstrates rare, uncommon or endangered aspects of the city's or local area's cultural heritage

as a rare example in Brisbane of a large two-storey, sandstone residence.

Representative

CRITERION D

The place is important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a particular class or classes of cultural places

as a good example of a substantial, two-storey sandstone house, constructed in the late nineteenth century.

References

1. BCC detail plans and surveyor's notebooks
 2. *The Brisbane Courier*, 1900-1924
 3. DERM. Land titles information
 4. Queensland Post Office Directories
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Note: This citation has been prepared on the basis of evidence available at the time including an external examination of the building. The statement of significance is a summary of the most culturally important aspects of the property based on the available evidence, and may be re-assessed if further information becomes available. The purpose of this citation is to provide an informed evaluation for heritage registration and information. This does not negate the necessity for a thorough conservation study by a qualified practitioner, before any action is taken which may affect its heritage significance.

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