

# 'Windarra', 40 Greenhills Road Pakenham, Statement of Significance

**Heritage Place:** Windarra, 40 Greenhills Road, Pakenham

**PS ref no:** HO14



Figure 1: Detail of curtilage for HO14 – shown by solid red line

Table 1: Tree Protection Table- Refer to Figure 1

Tree ID	Botanical Name	Heritage and arboriculture assessment comments
1	<i>Hesperocyparis macrocarpa</i>	Retain as part of driveway planting
2	Tree group (15) - <i>Melaleuca linariifolia</i>	Retain as part of driveway planting
3	Tree group (3) - <i>Ulmus procera</i>	Retain as part of boundary planting
4	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	Retain as part of boundary planting
5	Tree group (2) - <i>Photinia serratifolia</i>	Retain as part of boundary planting
6	<i>Grevillea robusta</i>	Retain as part of boundary planting
7	<i>Euonymus japonicus</i>	Retain as part of border/driveway planting
8	<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Retain as part of border/driveway planting
9	<i>Grevillea robusta</i>	Retain, individually noted in Statement of Significance
10	Tree group (3) - <i>Hesperocyparis macrocarpa</i>	3 specimens inter-planted along row. Retain as part of original windrow planting
11	<i>Ulmus glabra</i> 'Lutescens'	Retain, individually noted in Statement of Significance

### What is significant?

'Windarra' is located at 40 Greenhills Road, Pakenham and formed part of the IYU Estate and then the Greenhills Estate until the late 1920s. It continued to be used as a small farm with a mix of agricultural uses into the 1980s.

The significant elements include the farmhouse which was constructed c1910-16 along with a number of trees, most of which line the current driveway to the farmhouse. Trees of particular note are the *Ulmus glabra* 'Lutescens' Golden Wych Elm (tree ID 11) south of the residence and *Grevillea robusta* Silky Oak (tree ID 9) to the north east of the residence. The driveway established in the 1950s is lined with mixed plantings of small trees and shrubs including *Photinia*, Hawthorn, Silky Oak, and *Melaleuca*.

### How is it significant?

'Windarra' at 40 Greenhills Road, Pakenham is of local historical, architectural and aesthetic significance to the Shire of Cardinia.

### Why is it significant?

'Windarra' at 40 Greenhills Road, Pakenham is of historic significance for illustrating the phase in Cardinia Shire's history when large landholdings, such as the Green Hills Estate, were broken up into smaller farms, beginning with the Selection Acts of the 1860s. The exotic trees planted in the garden and the driveway are significant as plantings dating from different eras of the property's long use as a small farm with mixed agricultural uses between c1916-80s. They also provide an attractive and appropriate setting for the residence and demonstrate the highly residential nature of the farmstead block. (Criterion A)

The farmhouse is architecturally significant as a representative example of an Edwardian house with typical features of that era including the pyramidal hip roof, wrap-around verandah set beneath the roofline, timber verandah posts and brackets, canted bay windows, and panelled front door sidelights and highlights. (Criterion D).

The c1980s extensions to the house (pergola and garage) are not significant.

### Primary source

- *Pakenham South Employment Precinct Post-Contact Heritage Assessment*, Context Pty Ltd, 2014 (revised January 2020)
- *Pakenham South Employment Background Report*, October 2019 (updated August 2020)