


## City of Subiaco - Local Government Inventory Place Record

Name	House
Address	28 Smyth Road, Shenton Park
Lot Number	Lot 200 & Lot 68
Photograph (January 2014)	
Construction Date	1897
Architectural Style	Victorian Regency
Historical Notes	<p>Rates books for 1897 show builder, Charles Kerslake living in Park Street Subiaco. The post office directories for 1897 list Charles Kerslake as living in Karrakatta, from 1897 which was the name for this part of Subiaco. It is therefore probable the house was built in 1897 possibly by Kerslake although this is not confirmed. The choice of stone for the cottage is unusual as the majority of cottages built at this time in Subiaco were timber or possibly brick. Charles Kerslake is consistently referred to as a labourer in the electoral rolls however the description as a builder in 1897 suggests he may have been responsible for the construction of this cottage, however this has not been verified. It is speculated that Charles Kerslake, born and raised in Tasmania was more familiar with stone buildings and preferred that material for his family home.</p> <p><i>For further information see the Heritage Assessment of 28 Smyth Road, Shenton Park prepared by Hocking Heritage Studio, July 2016.</i></p>
Physical Description	<p>No. 28 Smyth Road is a single storey painted brick residence with contrasting quoins to the two edges of the frontage. It presents with a symmetrical façade, a centrally located door with windows to either side. It has a corrugated metal hipped roof with a rendered brick chimney displaying a decorative crown. The house appears to have been recently restored incorporating new roof coverings and refreshed paint finishes.</p> <p><i>For further information see the Heritage Assessment of 28 Smyth Road, Shenton Park prepared by Hocking Heritage Studio, July 2016.</i></p>

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Associations	
Statement of Significance	<p>No. 28 Smyth Road Shenton Park, a single storey stone cottage, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•The place has historic value for its association with the subdivision and development of Shenton Park in the late 1890s.</li><li>•The place has aesthetic value as a simple example of the Victorian Regency style executed in stone.</li><li>•The place is a rare example of a stone cottage built in the 19th century in Shenton Park.</li><li>•The place has social value as a demonstration of the form of a simple workers cottage built in the late 19th century</li></ul>
Level of Significance/ Contribution	<p>'Considerable Significance' (Level 2) (within the context of the City of Subiaco) – Very important to the heritage of the City of Subiaco.</p> <p>High level of aesthetic, historic, and social value for the local community and is a rare example of its type.</p>
Listings	<p>Local Government Inventory – Adopted 24/01/2017</p> <p>Town Planning Scheme Heritage List – Adopted 24/01/2017</p>
Main Sources / References	<p>Heritage Assessment of 28 Smyth Road, Shenton Park prepared by Hocking Heritage Studio, July 2016.</p>