

# HERITAGE PLACE

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**OTHER NAME/S OF PLACE:** KANE'S COTTAGE

**PRECINCT:** Coleraine

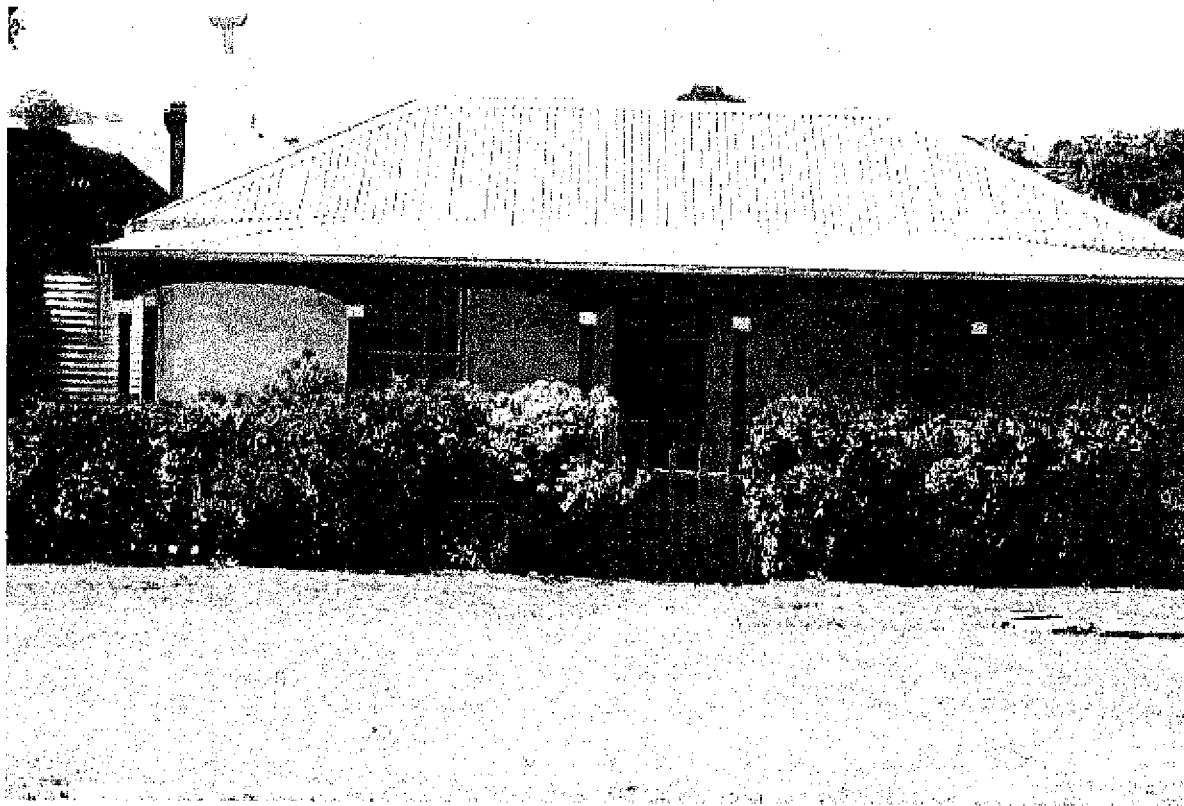
**LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA:** Southern Grampians Shire

**ALLOTMENT:** 6      **SECTION:** 20      **PARISH:** PARISH OF COLERAINE

**ACCESS DESCRIPTION:**

CFA 430J F5; VicRoads 228 B10; located on the north side of Church Street towards the western edge of the town.

**SIGNIFICANCE RATING:** Local



Brick Cottage, Church Street, Coleraine. 'Dolly Kaine's Cottage'

**Image Date:** 31/01/02

**EXTENT OF LISTING:**

To the extent of: 1. All the buildings and all of the land

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## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

The dwelling at 92 Church Street Coleraine consists of a brick cottage and a timber cottage placed at right angles to each other, with associated outbuildings. The brick cottage has a low corrugated iron hipped roof and a skillion clad in corrugated iron attached to the rear. The brickwork is cement rendered and a straight profile verandah returned at the ends is attached to the main house on the front facade. One chimney, cement rendered, remains in the main cottage. The timber cottage is of weatherboard with a corrugated iron roof and two brick chimneys. The picket fence and gate at the front of the property appear to be of an early date, and have been restored. The interiors have not been inspected.

## HISTORY:

NB Comment from Ken Fitzgerald about the spelling of the name. He says that it should be Kane. The original name was Keane but when the couple got married in Hamilton, the priest/minister spelled the name without an 'E' and the family finally adopted the misspelled version! TFH 20/5/03

The land on which the cottage stands (being allotment 5 of Section 20) was first purchased from the Crown by Thomas O'Donnell as Allotments 5 & 6 of Section 20 on August 5, 1862. These allotments together formed one half acre block stretching between Church and McConochie Streets.

Thomas O'Donnell married Margaret Leahy in 1862, and presumably constructed a dwelling on this land. While in Coleraine, Thomas and Margaret had four children, Julia (1863), Bridget (1864), Mary (1866) and Hanah (1867). It appears that they left Coleraine and moved to Tahara at some point between 1867 and 1879, as two of their children Margaret (aged 6) and Michael John (aged 8) died in Tahara in 1879 (API). In 1880, a William Thomas O'Donnell is registered as being born in Geelong to Thos O'Donnell and Mary Leahy (ibid). It is not known whether the O'Donnell family returned to the Coleraine area, however there is no record of this branch of the family in the Coleraine Cemetery.

In 1866, a cottage was constructed fronting McConochie Street, and was occupied by Patrick Mahoney and his wife Eliza (nee O'Donnell) in 1869. It is not known if Eliza O'Donnell was connected in any way to Thomas O'Donnell.

Troeth (92-3) states that by 1871, Daniel Kaine (1839 -1909) had constructed another cottage on the same allotment, but fronting Church instead of McConochie Street. The cottage facing Church Street survives relatively intact, and is known locally as Dolly Kaine's Cottage. The Pioneer Index of Victoria states that Daniel Kain [sic] married Hannah O'Donnell, the daughter of Thomas O'Donnell who originally purchased the allotment. The cottage was built by Daniel Kaine on his marriage. Daniel and Hannah's son John was born in the cottage in 1872, and after he married, raised his family there. The First World War Nominal Role Australian War Memorial shows that John Kaine died in active service, aged 44 in 1916. The Kaine family continued to reside in the cottage until the death of John Kaine's daughter Catherine "Dolly" Kaine at 91 in 1987. Dolly Kaine was a well-known local identity, and is fondly remembered by the Coleraine township. She is buried in the Coleraine Cemetery.

Troeth (ibid) states that Dolly Kaine's Cottage is located on Allotment 6, Section 20, and that 93 McConochie Street is located on Allotment 7, Section 20. It appears that there has been an error, in that Thomas O'Donnell purchased Allotments 5 & 6 of Section 20. This made up one half acre lot which Troeth (93) refers to as being listed in the Glenelg Rate book of 1867 "In 1866, Patrick Mahoney constructed a house on the half acre allotment facing McConochie Street". The house referred to is 93 McConochie Street, previously throughout to be on Allotment 7, Section 20. These two cottages were constructed at opposite ends of the half acre (2 consecutive allotments). One on Allotment 5, facing Church Street, and the other cottage constructed on Allotment 6, facing McConochie Street.

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## THEMATIC CONTEXT:

Theme 4: Building settlements, towns and cities

4.5 Making settlements to serve rural Australia

## CONDITION:

The dwelling at 92 Church Street Coleraine has recently undergone substantial restoration work, completed with sensitivity to the original fabric of the buildings.

## INTEGRITY:

high degree of integrity

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The cottage known as 'Dolly Kaine's Cottage', located at 92 Church Street, Coleraine consists of a brick cottage and a timber cottage placed at right angles to each other, with associated outbuildings. There is a timber fence and gate at the front of the timber section of the cottage which date from quite early which have been restored. The cottage is located four blocks south of the centre of the township of Coleraine. Built post 1870, the cottage was owned by the Kaine for over 100 years, until the remaining member of the family passed away recently. Its humble form, its materials and simplicity of detailing are conventional for such a dwelling at this time. The cottage is in good condition and has a high degree of integrity.

How is it significant?

The brick and timber cottage at 92 Church Street, Coleraine is of historical and architectural significance to the community of Coleraine.

Why is it significant?

The brick and timber cottage at 92 Church Street, Coleraine is of historical significance because it demonstrates the living conditions and lifestyle of the labouring or working class in Coleraine in the late nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Of further historical interest is the use of handmade bricks in the earliest part of the building, representing early an early industry of making bricks from the local clay. The building is of architectural significance as a typical example of a vernacular cottage.

## COMPARISON:

SSG 0493 93 McConochie Street COLERAINE

SSG 0512 71 Pilleau Street COLERAINE

SSG 0515 55 Pilleau Street COLERAINE

ASSESSED BY: tfh

ASSESSMENT DATE:

31-Oct-01

## EXISTING LISTINGS:

## HERITAGE STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS:

Include in VHR  Include in RNE  Include in Local Planning Scheme

No Recommendations for Inclusions

## REFERENCES:

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