GORE DISTRICT COUNCIL

HISTORIC HERITAGE ITEM RECORD FORM

HERITAGE ITEM NAME	former Windle house
ADDRESS	86-88 Hokonui Drive, Gore
PHOTOGRAPH	

(April 2022)

DISTRICT PLAN ITEM NO. (at time of assessment)	n / a	**HNZ LIST NO. & CATEGORY**	n / a
LEGAL DESCRIPTION	Lots 10 & 11 DP 34		
GDC FILE NUMBERS	3273528 & 3211000		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION	c.1918		
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER/ BUILDER	Unknown		
STYLE	California Bungalow		

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Single-storey building with truncated H-shaped footprint and gabled roof forms. Principal, west-facing elevation has gabled bays framing recessed porches. Main windows have sunhoods; casement and fanlight type fenestration with leadlight glazing. Combination of exposed and plastered brick; arched porch openings and bow window at centre of façade. Tapered chimneys.

MATERIALS/STRUCTURE

Brick, cement plaster, timber, corrugated metal roofing.

ADDITIONS/ALTERATIONS

Double glazing installed? (date unknown).

SETTING

The house stands within a mature garden on the east side of Hokonui Drive, north of its intersection with Denton Street. The road boundary is marked by a masonry fence that matches the styling of the house; garaging is accessed via a driveway running along the southern boundary. The large tree on the berm bordering the property is part of a precinct of significant trees planted in 1912-14 by council gardener AT Newman (see Gore District Plan, T16). The scheduled setting encompasses the two land parcels on which the building is located.

History

The land parcels on which this bungalow is located were transferred to local draper and clothier Henry Windle in January 1917. Windle (1886-1969), who married Mary Holland (1889-1955) in 1912, was in partnership with Stephen Preece from 1908; the firm had premises in Main Street. The Windles had four children and had previously built a house in Denton Street in c.1912. The Main Street residence was held by the Windle family until 1950, when it was transferred to Alice McLeod. Since c.1963 the house has passed through a number of other hands; it remains in private residential use.

Historic And Social Significance

The former Windle house has historic and social significance for its association with Henry and Mary Windle and their family, their contribution to the town and, more generally, the early 20th century residential development of Gore.

Cultural And Spiritual Significance

The former Windle house has cultural value as a demonstration of the way of life of its early occupants.

Architectural And Aesthetic Significance

The former Windle house has architectural significance for its California Bungalow styling and high level of authenticity. The designer of the building is currently unknown.

Technological And Craftsmanship Significance

The former Windle house has technological and craftsmanship significance for the quality of its masonry construction and detailing. The builder is currently unknown.

Contextual Significance

The former Windle house has contextual significance for the contribution it makes to the historic residential character of Hokonui Drive.

Archaeological and Scientific Significance

As the building post-dates 1900, and its site appears to have been undeveloped before 1917, the property may have limited potential archaeological value. DP 34, dated 31 March 1879, records the subdivision of Sections 83 and 84 in Block XVI in the Township of Gore.

Summary of Heritage Significance

The former Windle house has overall heritage significance to Gore and to the district of Gore as a whole. The building has historic and social significance for its association with Henry and Mary Windle and their family and, more generally, the residential development of Gore in the early 20th century. The former Windle house has cultural value as a demonstration of the way of life of its early occupants and architectural, technological and craftsmanship significance as a California Bungalow style dwelling that retains a high level of authenticity. The former Windle house has contextual significance for the contribution it makes to the historic residential character of Hokonui Drive. The building's site may have limited potential archaeological value.

References

- *Mataura Ensign* 15 July 1908, p. 2; 23 November 1908, p. 3; 29 January 1909, p. 3; 28 May 1912, p. 7; 24 July 1912, p. 4; 18 May 1915, p. 2; 8 February 1916, p. 3; 7 October 1919, p. 4.

- https://www.familytreecircles.com/harry-windle-of-gore-new-zealand-53838.html
- Historic land and family history records.

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Extent of scheduling, encompassing both land parcels, former Windle house, 86-88 Hokonui Drive, Gore.