

Modifying a Moorooka War Workers' Housing Estate cottage



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If the proposal to recognise the Moorooka War Workers' Housing Estate as a Local heritage area is adopted, a range of flexible modification and design options are potentially available for cottage extensions. With clever design and with consideration of views from the street, original cottages can be extended to combine contemporary living standards with sustainable living.

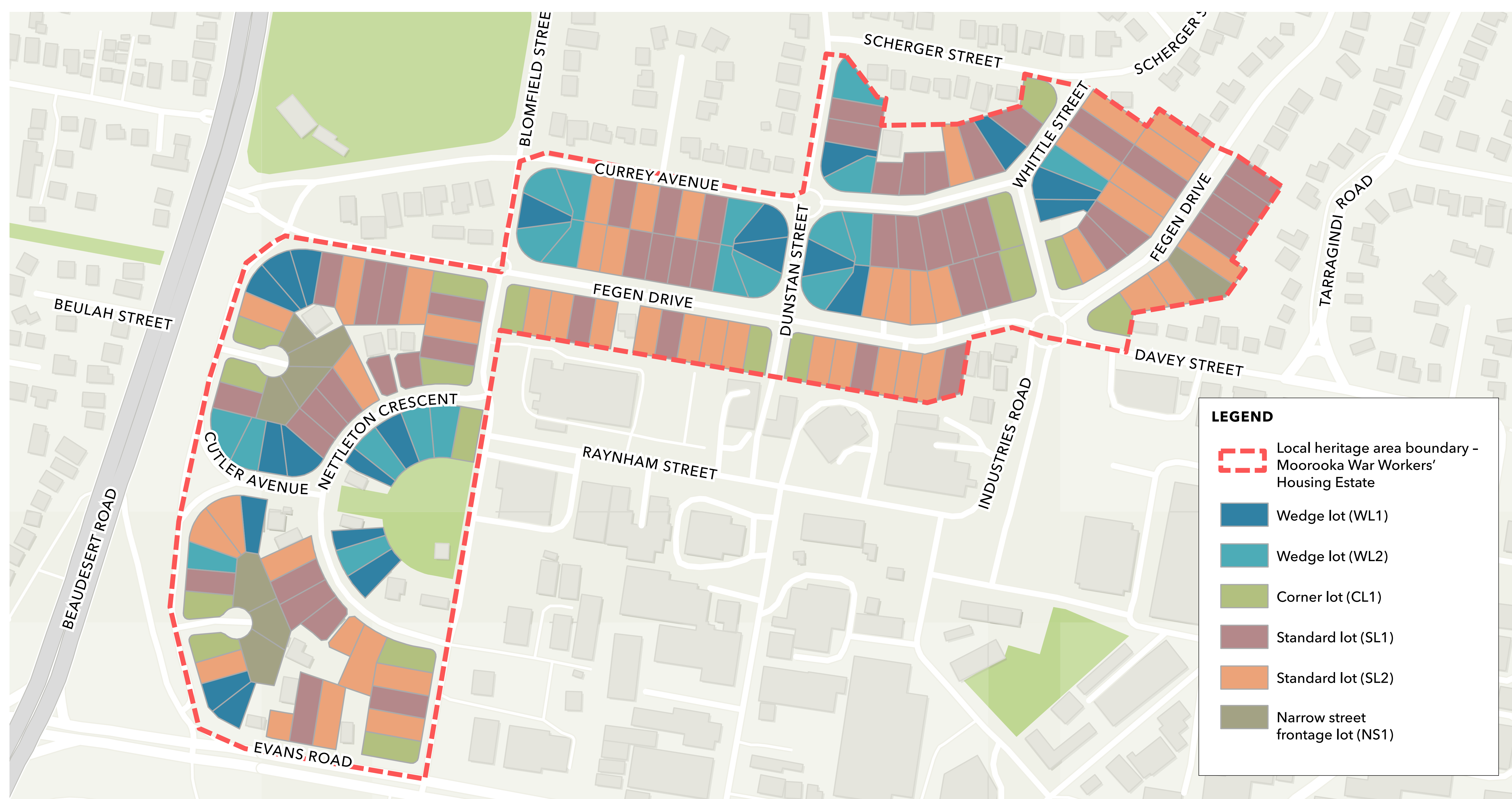
Extensions

The map below shows each property in the proposed Local heritage area, colour-coded to correspond with information about extension options for that block shape and cottage orientation. Properties with no colour code are not a war worker's cottage and different options apply.

Interior alterations

Most cottages have changed internally since original construction. Interior alterations of existing cottages, such as replacing kitchens and bathrooms, painting walls, adding floor coverings, changing fixtures and installing ceiling fans can be done without application under Brisbane City Council's General Exemption Certificate.

Larger improvements, such as changing internal room layouts, may require an application for a Heritage Exemption Certificate, particularly if the changes impact the original location of windows and external doors.



Understanding the Heritage overlay code

The proposed changes to the Heritage overlay code include a range of design requirements that would apply specifically to the Moorooka War Workers' Housing Estate.

The design requirements for modifications, such as extensions, to original war workers' cottages and new structures ensure the heritage values of the original cottages, their setting and collective contribution to the

heritage character and layout of the estate are considered. Development approval is required for work that changes the original war workers' cottages and for the building of new structures.