
GOWRIE

Location

63-65 GOWRIE STREET,, GLENROY VIC 3046 - Property No 97547

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0128

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO88

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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Gowrie is of state architectural and historical Significance. It is one of the oldest surviving houses in the Broadmeadows district and an early homestead of noted pastoralist James Robertson. Architecturally, it is a relatively rare and externally intact example of a traditional Scottish laird's house.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999; Moreland - Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2004;
Architect/Designer	Cartwright Bros,
Other Names	House, Individual, 1860,
Hermes Number	59040

Physical Description 1

Gowrie is a one-and-a-half storey bluestone house in the style of a Scottish laird's house, with a gabled slated roof, prominent gable dormer windows, dressed stone quoins and copings. The exterior is essentially in original condition, complete with '1855' foundation stone. Alterations include the replacement of the original windows, and the addition of the gabled entrance porch.

The 1960s additions, and associated new outbuildings, are of unpainted concrete block construction.

Key Architectural Elements: bluestone construction; slate roof; unusual style

Conservation Guidelines: reinstate windows and doors to original design; remove non-original porch
remove paint from bluestone side walls; preferably remove unsympathetic 20th century additions

Comparative Examples: Meadowbank (now the Manor House), Campbellfield, early 1850s.

Principal Historic Themes: primary production/early agricultural/farming activity

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