
15 Darling Street, South Yarra

Location

15 Darling Street SOUTH YARRA, Stonnington City

Municipality

STONNINGTON CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO32

Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

Statement of Significance

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This late 1860s substantially intact villa has state significance as one of the earliest 19th century homes remaining in this area which developed in the 1850s as a residential area after the arrival of the railway. The building has design significance as an intact example of a 1860s brick house, enlarged and improved over the years with successive building stages remaining intact, and including significant fence and former stables. It has additional architectural significance for its unusual timber veranda decoration. The garden, which is thought to date from the 1860s, is of local significance, regarded as one of the better surviving 'terrace house gardens' in the municipality.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Stonnington - Conservation Review City of Prahran Volume 2: Individual Buildings (A1), Context Pty Ltd, 1993; Stonnington - Prahran Conservation Study Identification of Buildings & Areas of Major Significance, Nigel Lewis & Associates, 1983;
Construction dates	1863,

Hermes Number 30542

Property Number

Physical Description 1

This Darling Street house is a simple brick cottage with unusual timber veranda columns, valence and brackets and an elaborate and intact cast iron fence. It is a rare and intact example of an early residence built in the area. The veranda features geometric timber fretwork decoration with flat rectangular columns. To the rear of the house, there is an additional brick room with veranda facing the side alley. The building, simple in form, has a hipped slate roof. Today, the face brickwork has been painted. The architect and builder remain unknown. In 1982, the house was described as a 'classic Victorian brick and slate villa containing many original features'.¹ At the rear of the property, there stands a building in the original position of the stables, which appears to contain early wall fabric.

Reference: 1. *City of Prahran Valuers records Windsor Ward Book 4T.*

Local Historical Themes

3.3.1 Crown land sales 1840-1850

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