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# COTTAGES (PAIR)

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## Location

159-161 BARKLY STREET,, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No 1484

## Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO19

## Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

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## Statement of Significance

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The pair of timber cottages at 159-161 Barkly Street, Brunswick, is of local architectural Significance. The Significance lies in the demonstration of craft skills in the design and execution of the timber carving and decoration used on the facade. Additionally, the use of Art Nouveau motifs, which are only seen on a small number of residences, are rare on such modest cottages.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999;
Other Names	Houses, Individual, Art Nouveau,
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## Physical Description 1

159-161 Barkly Street, Brunswick, is a pair of attached timber cottages. The main hipped roof, clad in corrugated iron, encompasses a verandah with a turned timber corner post and simple timber moulding running under the eaves. The front wall of each cottage has a projecting square window bay, with timber-framed double-hung sash windows with multi-paned highlights. No. 159 retains the original red and blue chequerboard-configured glazing to the highlights, and to the front door sidelights.

The cottages are notable for the incorporation of unusual carved timber panels on the facade, on each side of and below the projecting bay window, fine timber work on the frames of the bay windows, and unusual turned timber verandah posts. The carved panels are Art Nouveau in style, using lily motifs on the central panels. All the timberwork on No. 161 is painted, while the relief carvings on No. 159 have been stripped back to a dressed timber finish.

Key Architectural Elements: unusual carved timber panels to otherwise weatherboard facades  
face red brick corbelled chimneys with terracotta chimney pots  
turned timber verandah posts

Conservation Guidelines: reinstate original coloured glazing (No. 161)  
reinststate matching colour schemes  
remove paint from brick party wall  
reinststate original matching front fences

Comparative Examples: 333-335 Brunswick Road, Brunswick

Principal Historic Themes: association with stone quarrying industries

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