TERRACE HOUSES

Location

109 & 111 ALBERT STREET,, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No 5517

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO449

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - September 27, 2004

What is significant?

The terrace houses at 109 & 111 Albert Street, Brunswick, constructed c.1910 are significant. The houses were built for, and most likely by, the first owner, Arthur W. Lawrence, who was a bricklayer. Non-original alterations and additions and the front fences are not significant.

How is it significant?

The terrace houses at 109 & 111 Albert Street, Brunswick, are of local representative and aesthetic significance to the City of Moreland.

Why is it significant?

The houses are significant as a very late example of the Victorian Italianate style applied to a terrace pair of cottages that demonstrates the transition to the Federation style. This is demonstrated by the Victorian terrace form and detailing including the ornate parapet, combined with the red brick with banded render and paired double hung windows still evident at no.109. Aesthetically, the houses are distinguished by the rich detailing and ornamentation, which includes the vermiculated bands and panels to the parapets and wing walls of both houses, and as skirts beneath the front windows and bands to the lower facade of no.109, and the diaper pattern bichrome brickwork, a series of moulded string courses and the arched pediments surmounted by acroterions and flanked by volutes to both parapets. (Criteria D & E)

Heritage Moreland - Moreland Heritage Gaps Study 2017, Context Pty Ltd, 2017; Moreland -

Study/Consultant Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2004;

Construction dates 1905,

Other Names Bichrome,

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Physical Description 1

109-111 Albert Street, Brunswick, is a pair of terrace houses with a mix of Victorian and Federation era form and detailing. Situated on the north side of the street, the houses are built close to the frontage behind small front gardens.

Constructed of red brick, the houses have a typical terrace house form with a high parapet (with arched central pediment) that conceals the hipped roofs, and verandahs enclosed by wing walls. The main roof and the verandah roofs are clad with corrugated iron. The terraces have a number of details typical of Victorian Italianate terraces, including cast iron frieze to the verandah, and the ornate parapet, while the Federation style is demonstrated by the red brick construction with rendered bands, the paired double hung sash windows to no.109 (replaced at no.111), and the front door, which has an arched leadlight window (infilled at no.111).

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Integrity

Viewed from the street, No. 109 is more intact than No. 111, which has undergone some modifications, which include rendering of the lower facade, infilling of the glass pane of the front door, replacement of the cast iron frieze, and replacement of the paired double-hung sash windows with a Victorian style tripartite window. However, it appears to retain the original bullnose profile verandah roof, whereas no.109 has been replaced with a straight profile roof.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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