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Location

175 Kent Street, RICHMOND VIC 3121 - Property No 155725

Municipality

YARRA CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO272

Heritage Listing

Yarra City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 1, 2008

The following wording is from the Allom and Lovell Building Citation, 1998 for the property. Please note that this is a "Building Citation", not a "Statement of Significance". For further information refer to the Building Citation held by the City of Yarra.

History:

From 1885, Andrea Svensson, a carpenter and cabinetmaker, owned and occupied a 5 room house and workshop on this site. In 1888, it was valued at ?50. In 1889, the Rate Books describe a 9 room wooden house and workshop, valued at ?64, suggesting that the present building may date from that year. In subsequent years, the house is described in the Rate Books as a 10 room house variously of 'brick', 'wood', or 'brick and wood'.

Description:

The house at 175 Kent Street, Richmond, is a two-storey, double-fronted, freestanding, symmetrical Italianate terrace-style house. The side and rear walls are brick, whilst the facade is block fronted. The central entrance door has side- and highlights and is flanked by tripartite timber-framed double-hung sash windows. A central door upstairs leads to the balcony and is flanked by floor length double-hung sash windows. The, front verandah and balcony have cast iron lacework friezes, and the balcony has lacework balustrading. The original cast iron verandah columns remain at ground floor level, but at the first floor level they have been replaced with two turned timber posts. The verandah and balcony are flanked by projecting brick wing walls with blind arches at the west end, and an arched flashed and etched glass window on the first floor at the east end. The hipped corrugated iron roof is a penetrated by two rendered brick chimney with moulded caps.

The house retains an original iron picket front fence.

The external brick walls of the house have been painted white. The origin of two double height brick nib walls abutting the east wall is unknown.

Significance:

The house at 175 Kent Street, Richmond, is of local architectural significance. Whilst the freestanding two-storey terrace form is not unusual in Richmond, an example with brick side and rear walls and a block-fronted facade with its associated timber architraves is very rare. The significance of the house has been diminished by the construction of two-storey units to the rear of the site.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Yarra - Richmond Conservation Study, John & Thurley O'Connor, Ros Coleman & Heather Wright, 1985; Yarra - City of Yarra Heritage Review, Allom Lovell & Associates, 1998; Yarra - City of Yarra Review of Heritage Overlay Areas, Graeme Butler & Associates, 2007;
Construction dates	1880,
Other Names	House,
Hermes Number	102676
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Physical Description 1

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Integrity

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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.

For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/