
House - 'Vyalla', 43 Alma Street, ST ARNAUD



SD 020 - House - 'Vyalla' 43
Alma Street, ST ARNAUD
Shire of Northern Grampians
- Stage 2 Heritage Study,
2004

Location

43 Alma Street ST ARNAUD, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 12, 2004

The house at 43 Alma Street makes a significant contribution to the streetscape of single storey, Victorian and Edwardian styled houses visually connected to it. This house appears to have been constructed in the mid to late 1890s, or more probably in the early years of the 20th century after the land on which it is located was subdivided along with other adjoining allotments in late 1899 or early 1900. The house appears largely intact from the exterior.

The house at 43 Alma Street is **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It demonstrates original design qualities of a Late Victorian style. These qualities include the asymmetrical composition, the single storey height,

the parallel hipped roof forms that traverse the site, the minor gable that projects towards the street frontage, the return bullnosed verandah that projects at the fronts and sides and the rear minor gable that projects at the side. Other intact qualities include the lapped galvanised corrugated iron roof cladding, the horizontal weatherboard wall cladding, the modest boxed or lined eaves, the five unpainted red brick chimneys with corbelled tops, the timber framed double hung windows arranged as a projecting bay and as a triple-lighted bank on the main facade, the panelled timber door with high and sidelights, and the decorative features (timber gable bargeboards, decorative gable screen and turned timber finial, and the timber verandahs columns and elaborate cast iron brackets and valances).

The house at 43 Alma Street is **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with the residential developments in St. Arnaud in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. In particular, this house is associated with Lot 7 of Section J3 that was sold to F.H. Crook in 1889, and with the later subdivision of the land under LP 4147, in late 1899 or early 1900.

Overall, the house at 43 Alma Street is of **LOCAL** significance.

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Physical Description 1

The site at 43 Alma Street is generally in accord with the landscaping and setbacks of the neighbouring, significant, predominantly Victorian and Edwardian styled, single storey houses visually connected to it.

The site is bound at the front by a hedge, approximately 1.8m high. The front yard is characterised by mature shrubs and trees, with the house having a front setback of approximately 5 metres. Due to the large size of the block, there is a wide side setback.

The asymmetrical, single storey, horizontal weatherboard Late Victorian styled house is characterised by the parallel hipped roof forms that traverse the site, together with a minor gable that projects towards the street frontage, and a return bullnosed verandah that projects at the front and side. A rear minor gable also projects at the side. These roof forms are clad in lapped galvanised corrugated iron, although the rear hip is clad in recent sheeting. Modest overhangs are a feature of the boxed or lined eaves. Five unpainted red brick chimneys with corbelled tops adorn the roofline. The early timber framed double hung windows are arranged as a projecting bay and as a triple-lighted bank on the main facade. The panelled timber door with high and sidelights is also early.

Early decorative features of the design include the timber gable bargeboards, decorative gable screen and turned timber finial, and also the timber verandahs columns and elaborate cast iron brackets and valances.

A timber outbuilding with a gabled roof clad in galvanised corrugated iron is situated at the rear of the site.

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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