
House, 4 Skene Street, STAWELL



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SL 335a - Stawell Historical Society Collection.

Location

4 Skene Street STAWELL, 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 27, 2004

The house at 4 Skene Street, Stawell, makes a significant architectural and visual contribution to the predominantly late 19th and early 20th century residential area. This house also has significance as a reasonably externally intact example of the Late Victorian style. Although the construction date for the house is not known, its style suggests that it was built in the late 19th or early 20th century. The house appears to be in good condition when viewed from the street.

The house at 4 Skene Street is **historically** and **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with residential developments in Stawell in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, and from 1930 it has associations with the Frost family. The house also demonstrates original design qualities of a Late Victorian style. These qualities include the hipped roof form, together with the hipped bullnosed verandah that projects towards the street frontage. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the single storey height, lapped galvanised

corrugated iron roof cladding, horizontal timber weatherboard wall cladding, narrow eaves with timber brackets, paterae and panelling, decorative cast iron verandah valances and brackets, central projecting arch in the verandah roof adorned with decorative cast iron, central timber framed doorway with four panelled timber door and narrow sidelights, and the flanking timber framed double hung tripartite windows.

Overall, the house at 4 Skene Street is of **LOCAL** significance.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Northern Grampians - Shire of Northern Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage Study, Wendy Jacobs, Vicki Johnson, David Rowe, Phil Taylor, 2004; |
| Hermes Number | 112771 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

The house at 4 Skene Street, Stawell, is set in a predominantly intact residential streetscape with visual connections to other late 19th and early 20th century Victorian, Edwardian/Federation and interwar Bungalow styled houses having well-landscape gardens. This house has a modest front setback defined by open grassed areas and perimeter flower beds and other plantings. The front is bound by an introduced timber post and woven wire fence approximately 1300 mm high, which is accentuated in the centre by a scrolled metal gate.

The symmetrical, single storey, horizontal weatherboard, Late Victorian styled house is characterised by a hipped roof form, together with a hipped bullnosed verandah that projects towards the street frontage. These roof forms are clad in lapped galvanised corrugated iron. Narrow overhangs, timber brackets, panelling and paterae are features of the eaves.

An early decorative feature of the design is the front verandah. It is supported by introduced square timber verandah posts with decorative cast iron valances and brackets between. The verandah is also accentuated by an early central projecting arch in the roof that is adorned with decorative cast iron.

The symmetrical composition of the design is especially defined by the early central timber framed doorway with four panelled timber door and narrow sidelights, and the flanking early timber framed double hung tripartite windows.

The house has a more recent flue and there is an absence of chimneys that may suggest that it was been relocated to this site.

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