# **191A & 191B Auburn Road**



Review of C\* Grade Buildings in the Former City of Hawthorn

#### Location

191A and 191B Auburn Road HAWTHORN, Boroondara City

### Municipality

**BOROONDARA CITY** 

#### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

#### **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO434

#### **Heritage Listing**

Boroondara City

#### Statement of Significance

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The house at 191A and 191B Auburn Road, Hawthorn, is of local historical and architectural significance as a fine and relatively externally intact Victorian villa which displays all the hallmarks of the mode, including richly patterned polychrome brickwork, bracketed hipped slate roof, and heavycast iron verandah. While not necessarily an uncommon type in Boroondara, 191A and 191B Auburn Road, Hawthorn is an elegant and assured composition featuring a rigorous application of polychrome patterned brickwork and fine decorative features. It is

enhanced by its grouping with the matching villas at 191 and 193 Auburn Road, the three sharing a high level of integrity and fine detailing. Though the building has been subdivided to form two dwellings, this has had limited physical impact on either the building or its setting.

Heritage Study/Consultant Boroondara - Review of C\* Grade Buildings in the Former City of Hawthorn, Lovell Chen Architects & English Consultants, 2006; Boroondara - Hawthorn Heritage Study, Meredith Gould Conservation Architects, 1993;

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**Property Number** 

## **Physical Description 1**

No 191A and 191B Auburn Road, Hawthorn, is one of three essentially identical large single-storey double-fronted Victorian villas constructed as a group, since subdivided to form two dwellings. The hipped roof is clad with slate and features bracketed eaves and a pair of polychrome brick chimneys with moulded caps. Of red face brick construction, the essentially symmetrical facade displays rigorous polychrome patterning. A central entrance, which is the original principal entrance (now entrance to 191A) contains a panelled timber door with glazed surrounds and is flanked by two paired window openings with timber-framed double-hung sashes. The facade and south elevation have a return verandah with ogee corrugated galvanised steel roof, cast iron Corinthian columns, frieze and brackets and a non-original tiled floor. A non-original timber screen adjacent to the central entrance subdivides the verandah area. The verandah return is terminated by a projecting bay and provides access, via a side entrance, to the second dwelling (191B).

The frontage has a non-original picket fence (which also subdivides the garden) and gates and contemporary, yet sympathetic, landscape. It appears that rear alterations and additions have been carried out but the house appears largely externally intact when viewed from the street.[i]

[i] As viewed in an aerial photograph of the area, City of Boroondara, 2004.

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