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Location

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Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO163

Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

'Omega', constructed in 1864 for Robert Keig, at 48 Kanowna Street, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

'Omega' at 48 Kanowna Street, Williamstown is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is significant for the strong association of the first owner with maritime pursuits, which distinguished the early development of Williamstown. (AHC criteria A4, D2 and H1)

Aesthetically, it is significant as a near original and early example of an uncommon nineteenth century two-storey timber dwelling, which is notable for the rare timber decorative detailing. It makes an important contribution to a small mid nineteenth century residential group. (AHC criteria E1 and F1)

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Hermes Number 15095

Property Number

Physical Description 1

A two storey, gabled timber boarded house, with a single level timber verandah, which has been sited at the building line. A slatted verandah balustrade (which may be original) also provides the fence whilst fretted quatrefoil and rolling pin shapes decorate the verandah bressumer. Elegant timber brackets span from where capitals may have been on the slender posts. Architraves are generally used and a turned finial survives at the gable.

The verandah roof and roof form is new and a rear addition has been constructed.

Integrity

External Integrity and condition

Integrity - Moderate. Condition - Good.

Physical Description 2

Context

Sited with other mid nineteenth century verandahed timber dwellings which achieve counterpoint for this house by their hipped roof form.

Historical Australian Themes

Making Suburbs

Physical Description 3

Associations

Robert Keig

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