Residence "Kilross"

Location

40 Buckland Avenue, NEWTOWN VIC 3220 - Property No 201207

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1623

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

"Kilross" is architecturally significant at regional level as a particularly eclectic and elaborate late Italianate house design. Built in 1891, Kilross exemplifies the virtuosity of a builder-designer displaying an extraordinary number of the decorative devices plucked from the Italianate spectrum at the height of the property boom. It remains particularly intact. "Kilross" has regional historical significance for its associations with J. W. Taylor, a member of the building trade which played a major role in the construction of many of Newtown houses following early subdivisions. Like a number of other architects and builders, Taylor chose an elevated site for his own residence.

Heritage Study/Consultant Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, Allan Willingham, 1986; Greater Geelong - City of Newtown Urban Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1991; Greater Geelong - City of Newtown Urban Conservation Study, Richard Peterson, 1997;

Heritage Act Categories

Registered place,

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15575

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Physical Description 1

An eclectic, elaborate and intact, double-fronted, hip-roofed, timber late Italianate house. The left-hand bay is set forward as a hip with a hip-roof expressed canted bay. This has segmented head windows supported by Corinthian collonettes. There are pairs of Italianate brackets, rosettes and panels to the cornice frieze. The entrance has a four-panelled door, side and fanlights and a flyscreen door with an embossed copper nameplate. The verandah in the angle, has a gable over the entry with inset wheel decoration with turned spindles to this and the valence. There are fretwork brackets and Doric timber posts. The slate roof has wrought iron finials and fine chimneys decorated with vermiculated panels, dentils and mouldings. There are various skillion extensions and a 1920s garage. The fence is recent.

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