## **Victorian Heritage Database Report**

# **Vass**

#### Location

197 Noble Street, NEWTOWN VIC 3220 - Property No 203414

## Municipality

**GREATER GEELONG CITY** 

#### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO1354

### **Heritage Listing**

Greater Geelong City

#### Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE - B listed

"Vass" - Designed in 1908 by the Geelong architects, Laird and Buchan, for the building contractor, William John Kelly, this house has regional historical significance as an outstanding example of the large brick residence of this period, built in Newtown by this firm, for successful local businessman and their families. Kelly was its owner/occupier until the late 1930s. It has regional architectural significance also as a characteristic Edwardian house of Laird and Buchan, the pre-eminent Geelong architect.

#### **REFERENCES**

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Ibid 1909-10, No 1656.

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Heritage Act Categories Registered place,

Hermes Number 15989

**Property Number** 

## **Physical Description 1**

#### **DESCRIPTION**

A triple fronted, Edwardian house in rendered brick with a slate roof with terracotta cresting and finials. Front right and rear left hand bays project forward as gables and there is a third gable at lower pitch projecting from the corner at 45 degrees. The left, hand gable has a rectangular bay window over which the upper gable jetties forward, requiring the roof to step. The right hand gable is double storey, the upper level forming an attic, with a horseshoeshaped window beneath. The verandah extends around the angle between the gables. It has wavy and tulip fretwork sinuous brackets and a semicircular rail inscribes the corner gable. There is a timber rail balustrade also. It is comparable to other Laird and Buchan houses including "Rosnashane", 11 Aberdeen Street.

#### COMPARISON

#### 251 Pakington Street

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