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# Residence "Fairbrae"

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## Location

89 Prospect Road, NEWTOWN VIC 3220 - Property No 204166

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1627

HO1382

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Dating from c1883 when it was built for William Hutchins, accountant, this house has local historical significance as an example of a fine private residence built for a prosperous local businessman. Hutchins executors still owned the property in the 1920s. Architecturally it is unique to the region. Apparently anachronistic when it was built, it has many characteristics Gothic barges and fascia, the NeoClassical canted bay, wide lining boards and siding on the street line of an earlier period. However, the details are of great interest in themselves, particularly the Gothic barges and fascia and the NeoClassical canted bay. The changes in wall materials and the alignment on the street boundary are other puzzling characteristics of great interest.

### References

Newtown Rate Book 1883-84, North Ward, No 240

Ibid 1887-88 No 284

Ibid 1914-15 No 439

Ibid 1923 No 474

Ibid 1925 No 522

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, Allan Willingham, 1986; Greater Geelong - City of Newtown Urban Conservation Study, Richard Peterson, 1997;
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## Physical Description 1

DESCRIPTION There is a gable roof parallel and aligned to the street, terminating in two gable pavilions facing. The elevation on the street line is brick now painted is this later but the house is otherwise timber, in wide 250mm cladding, shiplapped boards. There is a canted bay on the lefthand east elevation with a dentillated Classical cornice and Doric pilasters as mullions. The chimneys have Classical mouldings and gables and fascias have fine Gothic fretwork. The motif is a trefoilinscribed Gothic arch separated by small ocellii, with a trefoil at the ridge.

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