
Residence

Location

27 Retreat Road, NEWTOWN VIC 3220 - Property No 204294

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1627

HO1408

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

A deceptively complex Edwardian major addition of 1899 to an early bluestone house of 1860. The Edwardian details are eclectic, including Islamic and Medieval influences. It is architecturally significant locally as representative of the Edwardian domestic style and in demonstrating fine eclectic craftsmanship in its decorative details. It is significant historically as demonstrating a changing presence of architectural styles, for its association with Peter Huddart, first mayor of Newtown and as an embodiment of comfortable life in Newtown of both the 1860s and fin de siècle.

References

1 The owner, Dr Bruce Guise suggests 186-12. He notes that Huddart was first Mayor of Newtown and involved in shipping.

2 Four of the early rooms are apparent in the plan. They have thick bluestone walls.

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

A three-bay deceptively complex rendered masonry Edwardian major addition, around an early bluest one house. It now presents with a hipped roof the right bay set forward as a gable. The verandah is under the hip and returns under the gable. Its central section projects over a canted bay window. The deep convex valance is unusually canted, to return by penetrating the barge, each side. It has a triple arch of bold lattice and wavy palisade centre panel. The right verandah has fretwork with an Islamic motif refer detail. Posts are bevelled Doric. The upper gable has Medievalising timbering of ogee straps on roughcast. Upper chimneys corbel at angles, then recede with recessed panels over and with pots. There is a mock skillion "skylight" with convex brackets and triple arched panel of shingles.

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