# **HOUSES**



RICHMOND BAKER STREET 53.jpg

### Location

53-55 BAKER STREET, RICHMOND VIC 3121 - Property No 153490

# Municipality

YARRA CITY

# Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

# **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO371

# **Heritage Listing**

Yarra City

# Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 1, 1900

## What is significant?

The houses at 53 & 55 Baker Street, Richmond are significant to the extent of the Edwardian fabric. The pair of brick (overpainted) houses share a common central wall and are Edwardian in style, with a projecting gambrel bay with elaborate lattice and fretwork to the verandah. The extraordinary chimneys are Voyseyesque, with flat tops and reverse ogee brackets.

Non-original alterations and additions to the houses are not significant.

#### How is it significant?

The houses at 53-55 Baker Street, Richmond are aesthetically and historically significant to the locality of Richmond and the City of Yarra.

#### Why is it significant?

The houses at 53-55 Baker Street, Richmond are architecturally and aesthetically significant (Criteria D & E):

. as a double-fronted, Edwardian pair, with an uncommon plan, extraordinary chimneys, and interesting timber detailing.

Heritage Study/Consultant Yarra - Heritage Gap Study, Graeme Butler & Study; Associates, 2007;

Construction dates 1900,

Hermes Number 170471

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## **Physical Description 1**

A double-fronted, Edwardian, red brick row-house pair. They have a most unusual plan: the entry door is not visible from the street. They have hip-roofs, but the gambrel bay is set forward, sweeping down break-pitch as a verandah. This verandah has elaborate lattice and fretwork decoration with a "spade" motif. The gablet is timbered roughcast with a square timber finial. The hip-roof also breaks pitch over a narrow porch, set well back. The extraordinary chimneys are Voyseyesque, with flat tops and reverse ogee brackets. Brickwork is tuck-pointed with a dado band. Casements are triples and quadruples. They lack the original verandah floors, 53 lacks a finial, number 55 finial is truncated, its window altered and brickwork painted.

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