HOUSES



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Location

204-208 COPPIN STREET RICHMOND, YARRA CITY

Municipality

YARRA CITY

Level of significance

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Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

Yarra City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The properties at 204-208 Coppin Street, Richmond, date from 1913 and include three two-storey face brick houses, with upper level balconies, gabled forms, and terracotta roofs in Marseilles-pattern tiles. No. 204 is more conventionally Federation in design, with a basic L-fronted form over two levels. Nos 206 and 208 Coppin Street have large gabled single-fronted forms, with balconies to the attic levels.

How is it significant?

The properties at 204-208 Coppin Street, Richmond, are of local historical and aesthetic/architectural significance.

Why is it significant?

The three dwellings at 204-208 Coppin Street, Richmond, are of local historical significance. They are a largely externally intact collection of three substantial residences, dating from 1913, and demonstrative of more middle class housing constructed in Richmond in the early twentieth century. Coppin Street, as one of the more prominent north-south running streets in Richmond, and a relatively wide thoroughfare dating back to the midnineteenth century, was in part a favoured location for larger villas. The subsequent conversion of the dwellings to flats and boarding houses was also a common occurrence for larger private residences in the inner suburbs in the middle decades of the twentieth century. The three dwellings, in the late Federation style with Arts and Craft influences, are also of local aesthetic/architectural significance. They are a prominent group to Coppin Street, where they read as a complementary collection of two-storey face brick houses, with upper level balconies, gabled forms, and terracotta roofs in Marseilles-pattern tiles. No. 208 is a particularly bold design, with large expanses of asymmetrical face brick surfaces. The jerkin-headed gabling on nos 206 and 208 is of note; all the houses also have exposed rafters, at eaves level.

Theme

6. Building towns cities and the garden state

Heritage Yarra - Heritage Gap Study: Review of Central Richmond 2014, Context P/L, 2014;

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

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Other Names Duplex,

Hermes Number 175894

Property Number

Physical Description 1

1984 BIF: Unusual Arts & Crafts Edwardian-era house, good integrity; distinctive porch (no Peterson Statement of Significance); extension of part of proposed Coppin St South Heritage Overlay Area

Intactness

Good

Integrity

The properties at 204- 208 Coppin Street, Richmond, built in 1913, include three two-storey face brick houses with terracotta roofs in Marseilles-pattern tiles. They are located on the west side of the street.

No. 204 has a hipped roof and double front to Coppin Street with a large two-storey gabled roof bay projecting slightly at the north boundary. The roof has decorative ridge-capping and horn finials. Windows on the southern half of 204's Coppin Street elevation are in squared bays of three fanlit sashes each, the ground floor with a cambered lintel and the upper set in a corbelled bay with stuccoed apron. The windows at the north side of the Coppin Street elevation have four fanlighted sashes each. The upper windows at this end may have originally enclosed an open balcony. The front door is recessed on the south side of the Coppin Street elevation. Rafters are exposed with large-scaled, rounded ends. The gable above the projecting bay is half-timbered with roughcast stucco, needing resurfacing.

No. 206 is a simpler building, with a symmetrical gabled front to Coppin Street, bisected by a combination front-door porch and upper balcony at attic level, linked under a hipped roof canopy that reads as a broken or jerkin-headed gable. Fenestration is asymmetrical to each side on the ground floor, as is the front door-case and its sidelight placement. The roof is a single gable with two hipped hoods in terracotta tiles spreading to each side of the porch and set over the ground floor windows. Window details on the balcony may have been altered.

No.208 is similar in overall form to no. 206 and shares the steep gabled profile, but differs in the design and detailing of the front facade. The balcony roof is set to create a broken gable appearance, similar to no. 206, but the upper balcony at attic level is turned to one side. The north-east corner of the house is recessed forming an entry at ground level and adding to the overall asymmetrical presentation to Coppin Street. The ground floor windows on the south side have a hipped hood with terracotta tiles and there is a tiled canopy over the verandah.

The dwellings have garden setbacks, behind medium-height timber or brick fences.

The rears of the properties were not inspected.

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