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## Medical Clinic



51-55 Bellerine St Geelong -  
Streetscape 1993.jpg

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### Location

55 Bellerine St, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 212097

### Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO867

### Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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### Statement of Significance

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The following is added informally by the Heritage Advisor, 9 February 2017, as an update/correction to the history provided in the citation:

The site at 55 Bellerine Street, Geelong, was acquired by William Box, ironmonger, in 1903. He had a timber Edwardian dwelling constructed at this time, comprising 6 rooms, bathroom, scullery and pantry. The Geelong

Waterworks and Sewerage Trust Detail Plan. 14 (dated c.1914) and an aerial view by Charles Pratt in 1926-27 reveals that the dwelling had a principal hipped roof form with minor projecting gables to Bellerine Street. They comprised a post-supported verandah that returned along the south (Ryrie Street) elevation.

With the death of William Box in 1907, the property passed to his wife, Naarah. She lived there until 1925 when the dwelling was sold to William Hellier Long, surgeon. In 1929, he engaged the local architectural firm of Schefferle and Williams to design alterations and additions to the dwelling. The front gabled wings and verandah were replaced with the existing gables at this time, the roof was clad in tiles and much of the timber weatherboard wall cladding was replaced in brick. These changes are largely extant today.

#### References:

Geelong Town Council Rate Books 1902-1929, Geelong Library & Heritage Centre Collection.

Victorian Births, Deaths & Marriages Indexes online, Department of Justice, Melbourne.

Geelong Town Council Building Permit Register, entry 460, 22 January 1929, City of Greater Geelong .

Geelong Waterworks & Sewerage Trust Detail Plan No. 14, City of Greater Geelong.

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (as per original heritage citation)

55 Bellerine Street has architectural and historic significance at a local level. The building is a representative and substantially intact example of a Federation brick and weatherboard commercial and residential structure, of a type once common in the Geelong region. The building retains its characteristic siting, form and details including prominent gable with timber decoration, double hung sash windows and arched entrance porch. The building is sited on a prominent corner location. 55 Bellerine Street has a long historical association with the medical profession

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Geelong City Urban Conservation Study, Volumes 2-5, Graeme Butler, 1991;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	18267
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## Physical Description 1

55 Bellerine Street is a substantially intact brick and weatherboard building sited on a prominent corner location. The two main red brick facades feature prominent gables with a half timbered effect, and double hung sash windows with lead light glazing and window hoods. The original low brick fence lines the footpath. On the west facade the original entrance from Bellerine Street has been bricked in. The rising sun motif, however, that was originally above the door still remains. It has lead light glazing and brick mouldings. The main entrance is now found on the south facade. The facade has an arched entrance porch, both tripartite and pairs of double hung sash windows, and a bay window with a rendered sill and protective hood. On the eastern weatherboard facade the building has two prominent gables with half timbered effects, ventilators and small brackets. The roof is a large terracotta tiled hipped form. At the rear of the building is a double storey weatherboard extension which appears to be relatively recently constructed.

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