
Residence



57 Bourke Cres, Geelong

Location

57 Bourke Crescent, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 212392

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1644

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The house at 57 Bourke Crescent, Geelong, has significance as an intact example of a rudimentary Federation style. Built in 1912 by Carl Weckworth, the house appears to be in good condition when viewed from the street.

The house at 57 Bourke Crescent is architecturally significant at a LOCAL level. It demonstrates original design qualities of a rudimentary Federation style. These qualities include the steeply pitched hipped roof form, together with the gables, return verandah and small verandah that project at the front and side. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the asymmetrical composition, single storey height, galvanised corrugated steel roof cladding, horizontal weatherboard wall cladding, timber framed windows, window leadlighting, unpainted brick chimney with a rendered top having projecting coursing and terra cotta pots, wide eaves with exposed timber rafters, timber framed casement and double hung windows, window hood supported by decorative timber brackets, turned timber verandah columns, arches and fretwork valances, and the decorative gable infill stucco panelling and timber battening.

The house at 57 Bourke Crescent is historically significant at a LOCAL level. It is associated with residential developments in the early 20th century. In particular, this house has associations with Carl Weckworth, builder and original owner from 1912, who sold the property to Michael Leahy in 1913.

Overall, the house at 57 Bourke Crescent is of LOCAL significance.

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Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	18391
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Physical Description 1

The house at 57 Bourke Crescent, Geelong, is set on a large corner allotment for the area, and the setback fronting Kilgour Street is equivalent to the front setbacks of the neighbouring houses. The property is bound by a capped timber paling fence, which is approximately 1200 mm high fronting Bourke Crescent and approximately 1900 mm high on Kilgour Street. The property is well landscaped with several trees and shrubs.

The asymmetrical, single storey, horizontal weatherboard, rudimentary Federation styled house is characterised by a steeply pitched hipped roof form, together with gable roofs and a return hipped and broken back verandah that project at the front and side. There is also another minor verandah that projects towards the Bourke Crescent frontage. These roof forms are clad in galvanised corrugated steel. An early unpainted brick chimney with a painted and rendered top having projecting coursing and terra cotta pots adorns the roofline. Wide overhangs with exposed timber rafters are features of the eaves.

The timber framed casement and double hung windows are early. There is a window hood on the Bourke Crescent frontage that is supported by decorative timber brackets.

Other early decorative features of the design include the gable infill stucco panelling and timber battening, and the remaining turned timber verandah columns, verandah arches and fretwork with introduced weatherboard cladding behind.

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