
Olrig House

Location

32 Fenwick Street, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 213232

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO922

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - December 8, 2018

C Listed - Local Significance

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Olrig House' at 32 Fenwick Street, Geelong, has significance as the early and long-standing location of the medical practice of Dr William Shaw, M.D., from 1857, Dr Rupert Pincott from 1869 and later with Dr Sydney Robinson.

'Olrig House' at 32 Fenwick Street is architecturally significant at a LOCAL level. Although greatly altered, the building demonstrates some design qualities of the 19th century. These qualities include the two front hipped roof forms clad in slate, and the rendered masonry wall construction and form of the front section.

'Olrig House' at 32 Fenwick Street is historically significant at a LOCAL level. It is associated with early Geelong medical practitioners from as early as 1857. Between 1857 and 1869, the building was occupied by Dr William Shaw and owned by William Gundry, who had this building constructed in 1855-56, having replaced a 5 roomed iron building. Acquired by Joseph Wheeler Sparrow in 1869-70, the building was occupied by Dr Rupert Pincott between 1869 and 1871. A third medical practitioner occupied the building from 1896: Dr Sydney R. Robinson. In the mid 20th century the building was occupied by financiers.

Overall, 'Olig House' at 32 Fenwick Street is of LOCAL significance.

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Physical Description 1

Description

'Olig House' at 32 Fenwick Street, Geelong, is set on an averaged-sized allotment for the local area. The building takes up the full width of the site, and abuts the front boundary. There is a mature palm tree to one side.

The substantially altered, two storey rendered masonry building is characterised by a two stepped, hipped roof forms clad in slate, with a crowning parapet having a projecting moulded cornice at the front. There is an arched entrance to one side on the ground floor, with introduced decorative iron gates and a timber and glazed door within. The timber framed double hung windows, arranged in banks of three, have been introduced, possibly during the interwar (1920s-1940s) period. The other first floor window appears to be a later introduction, as is the rear two storey concrete block wing.

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