
RESIDENCE (HOUSE)

Location

25 STEWART STREET, NORTH BENDIGO, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO888

Heritage Listing

Greater Bendigo City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - September 10, 2023

What is significant?

No. 25 Stewart Street, North Bendigo (c. 1874) is a small double-fronted timber residence with a gabled roof.

How is it significant?

No. 25 Stewart Street, North Bendigo is of local historical and architectural significance.

Why is it significant?

No. 25 Stewart Street, North Bendigo is of local historical significance as an example of a timber residence built during the early stages of development in the area. There was a house at the site by 1874. It is likely that it was built under the 'residence areas' provisions of the *Mines Act 1858*, which enabled the holder of a miner's right to occupy the land adjacent to his or her claim for a dwelling. The land was not purchased from the Crown until 1981.

No. 25 Stewart Street, North Bendigo is of architectural significance as a representative example of a simple timber house of the 1870s with transverse gabled roof form. It is relatively intact to the front wing with changes generally limited to the repair of fabric and the replacement of the verandah.

Theme

6. Building towns cities and the garden state

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Greater Bendigo - White Hills & East Bendigo Heritage Study 2014, Lovell Chen, 2015; |
| Construction dates | 1874, |
| Hermes Number | 199330 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

Description and integrity

No. 25 Stewart Street is located on a sloping site, close to the intersection of Stewart and Barney streets. It supports a small double-fronted timber residence of the mid-1870s with a transverse gabled roof form to the front wing. The roof cladding is recent corrugated metal. There is a plain brick chimney to the south-west of the property, set off the wall of the house. The bullnose verandah is a replacement.

To the rear of the front wing there is a long hipped roof addition extending back into the site. The origins of this are not clear, but it is relatively recessive in views to the property from the street.

The house is oriented at an angle to the street. The reason for this is unclear but there is a possibility it may pre-date the formalisation of Stewart Street in the late-1860s. Such orientation is a characteristic element of miner's cottages, with buildings aligned to dirt tracks to the goldfields before the formal surveying of streets. It is noted, however, that there is no documentary evidence to support this suggestion.

Intactness

Good

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