Residence



328 Myers St, Geelong East

Location

328 Myers Street, GEELONG EAST VIC 3219 - Property No 216763

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1642

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The house at 328 Myers Street, East Geelong, has significance as a reasonably intact example of the Federation style. Built in 1894 for Herbert Saywell to a design by the Geelong architects, Watts, Tombs and Durran, the house has experienced some alterations particularly the introduction of the false brick wall cladding but appears

to be in good condition when viewed from the street.

The house at 328 Myers Street is architecturally significant at a LOCAL level. It demonstrates original design qualities of the Federation style. These qualities include the complex roof forms including the central hipped roof, two gables that project at the front and side and the broken back return verandah with the minor gable at the corner. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the asymmetrical composition, single storey height, galvanised corrugated iron roof cladding, two unpainted red brick chimneys with projecting straps and tops, modest eaves, front verandah gable and encircling return verandah supported by turned timber columns, large timber arched and rectangular fretwork verandah valances, fretwork between the verandah columns, gable infill timber shingling, timber brackets, stucco panelling and flying gable battening, timber framed casement windows including six paned leadlighted upper lights to the windows under the verandah, recessed timber framed doorway with sidelight, and the window hood over the side Dr David Rowe Authentic Heritage Services Pty Ltd File No. 1090 Page GEELONG CITY C CITATIONS windows that is supported by timber fretwork brackets.

The house at 328 Myers Street is historically significant at a LOCAL level. It is associated with residential developments in East Geelong during the Federation c.18951915 period. In particular, this house has associations with Herbert Saywell, original owner and law clerk who had it built in 1894. The house also has associations with the Geelong architects, Watts, Tombs and Durran.

Overall, the house at 328 Myers Street is of LOCAL significance.

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Physical Description 1

Description

The house at 328 Myers Street, East Geelong, is set on wide allotment, with a sizeable front setback and wide side setbacks. The garden consists of open grassed areas with perimeter plantings. The front is bound by an introduced brick fence with steel balustrades and is approximately 1300 mm high.

The asymmetrical, single storey, Federation styled house is characterised by complex roof forms including a central hipped roof, two gables that project at the front and side and a broken back return verandah with a minor

gable at the corner. These roof forms are clad in painted galvanised corrugated iron. Two early unpainted red brick chimneys with projecting straps and tops adorn the roofline. Modest overhangs are features of the eaves.

Early features of the design is the projecting front verandah gable and encircling return verandah. The verandahs are supported by turned timber columns and are decorated with large timber arched and rectangular fretwork valances. Other decorative features include the lattice fretwork between the paired columns under the front verandah gable, and the gable infill timber shingling, timber brackets, stucco panelling and flying gable battening.

Under the verandah are early timber framed casement windows. These windows are arranged singularly under the projecting front gable, as a bank of three with six paned leadlighted upper lights under the verandah, and as a bank under the projecting side gable. The recessed timber framed doorway with sidelight is also early.

Another early feature of the design is the window hood over side windows, and is supported by timber fretwork brackets.

The false brick wall cladding has been introduced, probably clad over early horizontal timber weatherboards.

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