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Location

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Municipality

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Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO624

Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 1, 1900

What is significant?

The Federation house at 11 A'Beckett Street, Prahran, a single-storey dwelling built in 1912.

Elements that contribute to the significance of the place include (but are not limited to):

. The house's original external form, materials and detailing

. The house's high level of integrity to its original design.

Later alterations and additions, such as the rear addition and carport, are not significant.

How is it significant?

The house at 11 A'Beckett Street, Prahran is of local architectural and aesthetic significance to the City of Stonnington.

Why is it significant?

The house at 11 A'Beckett Street, Prahran is a fine, representative example of a Federation house. It displays typical features of the Federation Queen Anne architectural style popular in the first decade of the twentieth century in Prahran and across Melbourne more broadly, including a picturesque, asymmetrical composition, integrated verandah roof, tall prominent chimneys and timber verandah decoration (Criterion D).

The house at 11 A'Beckett Street, Prahran is a carefully designed and well-resolved example of a Federation house. The front projecting gabled bay with shingle-clad gable-end, diagonally placed bay window, side entrance tower with scalloped parapet, tall chimneys, unpainted roughcast render finish and rich timber decoration present a picturesque composition of this architectural style (Criterion E).

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Construction dates	1912,
Hermes Number	201909
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The dwelling at 11 A'Beckett Street is a single-storey detached dwelling, set on a prominent site with deep street setback and located within a mature garden. The dwelling occupies a commanding position, raised above street level. Built of brick with an unpainted roughcast finish and smooth rendered dressings with a slate roof, the Federation dwelling is modest with simple, restrained detailing. Constructed in 1912, the dwelling remains in good condition.

The dwelling is of a simple plan form, with a broad hipped roof and dominant gable to the front elevation. Simple timber shingles (overpainted) fill the gable end, with a plain bargeboard and the flying gable is supported on decorative timber brackets (see Figure 2). Two unpainted roughcast chimneys, with simple rendered corning and brick tops remain. A return verandah across the front facade is contained within the large hip roof and is supported on simple square timber posts, with capitals and an arched timber frieze. At the rear of this verandah return is a side entrance tower with scalloped parapet. A projecting angled bay window is located on the verandah return. The windows are double hung sashes, set into the walls. The bay window features an original, simple slate window hood with exposed rafter tails, supported on decorative timber brackets.

The site is bounded by a timber post and wire fence (erected c1997), with a lavender hedge (see Figure 3). Access to a modern garage is provided by the rear right of way.

Integrity

The house retains a high degree of integrity to the Federation Queen Anne style in fabric, form and detail. While the house has undergone some alterations and additions, these do not diminish the ability to understand and appreciate the place as a fine example of a Federation house.

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