Residence



14 Orchard St, Geelong East

Location

14 Orchard Street, GEELONG EAST VIC 3219 - Property No 216966

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 14 Orchard Street, East Geelong, has significance as a predominantly intact example of the Federation style. Built in 1912 for Herbert Saywell, law clerk, the house appears to be in good condition when viewed from the street. The house at 14 Orchard Street is architecturally significant at a LOCAL level. It

demonstrates original design qualities of the Federation style. These qualities include the steeply pitched hipped roof form, together with the minor gables that project at the front and side, and the hipped verandah that projects towards the street frontage. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the asymmetrical composition, single storey height, horizontal weatherboard wall cladding, galvanised corrugated steel roof cladding, two unpainted red brick chimneys with multi-corbelled tops and terra cotta pots, modest eaves with exposed timber rafters, front projecting bowed bay with timber framed casement windows, leadlighted highlights and timber shingling above, side bank of three timber framed casement windows with highlights and a timber framed window hood (supported by large timber brackets), other timber framed double hung windows under the front verandah and at the sides, timber framed front doorway with a panelled timber door having a glazed upper panel and transom window, worked decorative timber verandah columns with elaborate capitals, and the gable infill (stucco-like panelling and timber battening, and the timber brackets). The front capped timber picket fence and gate also contribute to the significance of the place. The house at 14 Orchard Street is historically significant at a LOCAL level. It is associated with residential developments in East Geelong during the Federation (c.1895-1915) period. In particular, this house has associations with Herbert Saywell, law clerk and original owner who had it built in 1912. Overall, the house at 14 Orchard Street is of LOCAL significance.

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Physical Description 1

Description

The house at 14 Orchard Street, East Geelong, is set on a corner allotment and has a modest front setback and narrow side setbacks. The front garden is rudimentary, having a brick path, perimeter garden beds and grassed areas. The front is bound by an introduced capped timber picket fence and corner gate that are approximately 1200 mm high.

The asymmetrical, single storey, horizontal weatherboard, Federation styled house is characterised by a steeply pitched hipped roof form, together with minor gables that project at the front and side, and a hipped verandah that projects towards the street frontage. These roof forms are clad in galvanised corrugated steel. Two early unpainted red brick chimneys with multi-corbelled tops and terra cotta pots adorns the roofline. Modest eaves with exposed timber rafters are features of the eaves.

A feature of the design is the projecting bowed bay under the front gable. It has early timber framed casement windows with leadlighted highlights, and timber shingling above. The other bank of three timber framed casement

windows with highlights and a timber framed window hood (supported by large timber brackets) above. The window hood is currently being restored, with the galvanised corrugated steel cladding removed. The other timber framed double hung windows under the front verandah and at the sides are also early, as is the timber framed front doorway with a panelled timber door having a glazed upper panel and transom window. The timber framed screen door is recent.

Another feature of the design is the front verandah. It is supported by worked decorative timber columns with elaborate capitals. The verandah also has introduced plain timber fascias and a timber and glazed screen at the north end.

Other early decorative features of the design include the gable infill (stucco-like panelling and timber battening, and the timber brackets).

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