Residence



14 Park Street

Location

14 Park Street, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 217222

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1639

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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Significant

C Listed - Local Significance

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The house at 14 Park Street, Geelong, has significance as a predominantly intact example of the Late Victorian Italianate style. Built in 1897 for Matthew Kerr, lecturer/instructor at the Gordon Institute of Technology, the house

appears to be in good condition when viewed from the street.

The house at 14 Park Street is architecturally significant at a LOCAL level. It demonstrates original design qualities of a Late Victorian Italianate style. These qualities include the recessed hipped roof form, together with the projecting conical roof form and bull-nosed verandah that projects towards the street frontage and encircles the projecting bay. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the asymmetrical composition, single storey height, horizontal weatherboard wall cladding, grey-painted galvanised corrugated iron roof cladding, three highly elaborate unpainted brick chimneys with rendered strapping, pedimented mouldings and terra cotta pots, narrow eaves with worked timber brackets, timber framed double hung windows forming the projecting bay and as single windows at the front and sides, rendered orb-like finial surmounting the conical roof, timber verandah columns with decorative moulded capitals, decorative cast iron verandah brackets and timber verandah fretwork valances.

The house at 14 Park Street is historically significant at a LOCAL level. It is associated with residential developments in Geelong in the late 19th century. In particular, this house has associations with Matthew Kerr, lecturer/instructor at the Gordon Institute of Technology and original owner from 1897.

Overall, the house at 14 Park Street is of LOCAL significance.

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Physical Description 1

DESCRIPTION

The asymmetrical, single storey, horizontal weatherboard, Late Victorian Italianate styled house is characterised by a recessed hipped roof form, together with a projecting conical roof form and bullnosed verandah that projects towards the street frontage and encircles the projecting bay. These roof forms are clad in grey-painted galvanised corrugated iron. Three early and highly elaborate unpainted brick chimneys with rendered strapping, pedimented mouldings and terra cotta pots adorn the roofline. Narrow overhangs with worked timber brackets are features of the eaves.

A feature of the design is the projecting bay with early timber framed double hung windows. The conical roof of the bay is surmounted by an early rendered orb-like finial. The side timber framed, full length double hung

window under the verandah also appears to be early, but the infill with a timber door and side frosted glass timber framed windows have been introduced. However the timber framed double hung windows at the sides appear to be early.

Another feature of the design is the front verandah. It is supported by timber columns with decorative moulded capitals and are surmounted by early decorative cast iron brackets and timber fretwork valances.

Physical Description 2

Mostly intact, hipped roof clad in corrugated metal sheeting, unusual brick chimneys with elaborate rendered mouldings & terracotta pots, decorative timber brackets to eaves. Timber verandah with turned timber posts, decorative timber frieze & cast iron brackets, timber sash windows (1 full height with timber panel to base). Nonoriginal door & sidelight to verandah, and front fence.

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