Tuena

Location

1026 Malvern Road, GLEN IRIS VIC 3146 - Property No 1425

Municipality

STONNINGTON CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO636

Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

Tuena, 1026 Malvern Road, Armadale is a single-storey Italianate style villa built c1887 on allotments forming part of the Brocklesby Estate subdivision.

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

. The original external form, materials and detailing. Reconstructed verandah elements Later additions and alterations, including the garage and front fence, are not significant.

How is it significant?

Tuena is of local architectural significance to the City of Stonnington.

Why is it significant?

Tuena is architecturally significant as fine and largely intact example of a Victorian Italianate style villa with multiple canted bay windows to the front rooms and a return verandah creating an elegant and unusually complex facade composition (Criterion E).

Physical Description 1

Tuena is a single-storey Victorian Italianate style villa with rendered masonry walls and a hipped slate roof. It has multiple canted bay windows to the front rooms producing an usually elaborate building footprint and roof form. An elegant verandah with cast iron posts and frieze wraps around facade. The main roof has paired eaves brackets and rendered chimneys with moulded cornices and flue fins.

Various unsympathetic alterations had been made to the house by 1992, including the construction of a gable roof entry porch and the removal of all cast iron from the verandah. A small single-storey addition was made to east side of the house, replacing the conservatory shown on the 1902 MMBW plan.

The house has been restored in recent decades with the entry porch addition removed and verandah detailing reinstated. There is a modern garage in the front garden and a high solid masonry wall to the Malvern Road boundary. The property has been reduced in extent with land to the east and rear of the house having been subdivided and redeveloped.

The architect or designer of Tuena has not been confirmed. The plan form and facade composition are very similar to the nearby villa Blairholme, 1034 Malvern Road (now part of Lauriston Girl's School) suggesting that it was work of the same architect. Context Pty Ltd have attributed the design of Blairholme to noted architect Lloyd Tayler on stylistic grounds and because of Tayler had designed a number of building for William Jones, it also being the case that Blairholme was built on Jones' Brocklesby estate for his daughter and son-in-law.

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