Residence



106 Swanston St, Geelong

Location

106 Swanston Street, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 218231

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1641

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The house at 106 Swanston Street, Geelong, has significance as a reasonably intact example of the Victorian style. Built in 1879 for James Kerley, the house appears to be in good condition when viewed from the street.

The house at 106 Swanston Street is architecturally significant at a LOCAL level. It demonstrates original design qualities of a Victorian style. These qualities include the hipped roof form, together with the hipped bullnosed verandah that projects towards the street frontage. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the symmetrical composition, single storey height, horizontal weatherboard wall cladding, galvanised corrugated steel roof cladding, unpainted brick chimneys, narrow eaves with paired timber brackets and panelling between, timber framed doorway with four panelled timber door and sidelights and highlights, and the timber framed double hung windows. The front timber picket fence also contributes to the significance of the place.

The house at 106 Swanston Street is historically significant at a LOCAL level. It is associated with residential developments in Geelong in the second half of the 19th century. In particular, this house has associations with James Kerley, original owner who instigated construction in 1879.

Overall, the house at 106 Swanston Street is of LOCAL significance.

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Physical Description 1

DESCRIPTION:

The house at 106 Swanston Street, Geelong, is set on a small wide allotment for the area. It has also has a typical front setback for the area, characterised by perimeter garden beds and grassed areas. There is also a driveway to one side. The front is bound by a timber picket fence and gates that are approximately 1200 mm high.

The symmetrical, single storey, horizontal weatherboard, Victorian styled house is characterised by a hipped roof form, together with a hipped bullnosed verandah that projects towards the street frontage. These roof forms are clad in galvanised corrugated steel. An early unpainted polychromatic brick chimney adorns the roofline, as does another later unpainted brick chimney on the other side. Narrow overhangs and paired timber brackets with panelling between are features of the eaves.

The symmetry of the design is accentuated by the early central timber framed doorway and flanking early timber framed double hung windows under the front verandah. The doorway has an early four panelled timber door and sidelights and highlights.

A feature of the design is the front verandah. It is supported by timber columns and has introduced cast iron

valance decoration.

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