
"Clifton"



38 Sydney Avenue

Location

38 Sydney Avenue, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 218338

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1639

HO1172

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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Significant

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Historically, there appears to be a long association with the John L. Gibson, a Colac grazier, and hence this may provide a link to Geelong's woolgrowing foundation. Architecturally, the house is an early and successful example of the Queen Anne revival style and an important streetscape element (see also 17 Pevensy Crescent.)

External Integrity:

A major detractor to this very visible building is the verandah enclosure on the north and east fences. The fence may have been altered in detail.

Streetscape:

STREETSCAPE:

Because of its corner site and relatively large scale, the house is a major element in the Edwardian and Victorian era residential streetscape, also contributory to a similar precinct (3.7).

Reference

RG0499

GA15.1.91tenders called GHRCnotesGCUCS2.90draft

RB1892.362; RB1899,819

RB 1909, 824

RB 1920, 942

D 1920-61

WD1899; 819; WD 1897-8, 1899- 1900 no Gibson at Colac

RB 1909,824

RB 1920.942 cites as 1916 by Jean Gibson. letter Jan.1993

D1920-61; Jean Gibson .loc.cit.cities 1956-92 (death).

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study Volume 2, Allan Willingham, 1986; Greater Geelong - Geelong City Urban Conservation Study, Volumes 2-5, Graeme Butler, 1991; Greater Geelong - Geelong City Urban Conservation Study Volume 1, Graeme Butler, 1993; Greater Geelong - Geelong City Urban Conservation Study, Volume 4(a), Helen Lardner, 1995; Geelong City Fringe Heritage Area Review, RBA Architects + Conservation Consultants, 2018;
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Physical Description 1

Description

A large two storey English Queen Anne styled red brick villa, the house has the style typical half timbered roof gables, bracketed window hoods and timber verandah detailing. The chimney cornices are also pedimented. At

the rear of the house is an extensive servants wing, around the perimeter, a capped corrugated iron fence and, within the grounds, mature exotic landscape.

Physical Description 2

Largely intact, substantial 2 storey Queen Anne style house, red brick, hipped & gable roof clad in slate with metal dormer vent, timber brackets to eaves, roughcast & decorative timber battens & finial to gable end, 2 storey verandah with decorative timber friezes & balustrade, timber sash windows with hood to gabled section & rendered swags & pediment above ground level windows, brick chimney with rendered details, later garage to side.

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