
"Glenburnie" residence



52-54 Western Beach Road

Location

54 Western Beach, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 219098

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO150

HO2018

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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Significant

Previously B Listed - Regional Significance

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE 'Glenburnie' a single storey double fronted brick and stucco villa at 54Western Beach, Geelong was constructed in 1880 for WW Bradley. AlexanderDavidson & Co were the architects and the

villa, a most distinctive example of the work of this architect, is designed in a characteristic eclectic mode derived from French Romanesque sources and contemporary British architecture of the 1870s. The stilted segmental arch windows to symmetrical bays about a central Romanesque arched entrance is a most unusual elevational treatment. The residence illustrates the maturation of Davidson's original and distinctive eclecticism.

REFERENCES

Geelong Advertiser - 21 June, 1880

Alexander Davidson and Co advertise tenders for a double villa in Western Beach

Geelong Advertiser - 9 August, 1880 - report of construction for Mr Bradley of Bradley and Drew

Geelong Advertiser - 9 November 1880 - further report on construction including list of tradesman.

Willingham Allan, *Two Scots in Victoria the Architecture of Davidson and Henderson* - Master of Architecture, Department of Architecture, University of Melbourne 1983 - for details of career of Alexander Davidson.

The circa 1950s house at 52-54 Western Beach Road is non-contributory

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study Volume 2, Allan Willingham, 1986; |
| Hermes Number | 21148 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

Largely intact symmetrical rendered facade with faceted bays & central recessed porch with Romanesque style columns. The arched porch has a lions head to the keystone. Hipped roof clad in slate largely concealed by balustraded parapet. Timber sash windows to bays with rendered architraves & keystones. Arched entry with panelled timber door (appears to be partly altered), sidelights & highlights. Timber addition to south. Early iron palisade fence with basalt plinth.

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