Benvenula



City of Darebin Heritage Review 2000



City of Darebin Heritage Review 2000 (map)

Location

6 Francis Grove NORTHCOTE, Darebin City

Municipality

DAREBIN CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO33

Heritage Listing

Darebin City

Statement of Significance

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Benvenula is of local architectural and historical significance. Benvenula was the home of Thomas McLean, a local industrialist and some time Mayor of Northcote. Later it was owned by Charles Trescowthick, another powerful Northcote industrialist. Architecturally, it is an unusual arrange of connected pavilions with a tower and distinctive chimneys. Most of the grounds have been built over in the Bungalow style in 1920s, and many of these now surround Benvenula.

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Physical Description 1

Benvenula is a large Italianate style house which consists of a number of connected pavilions of one and two storeys. The hipped roofs are slated with bracketed eaves. An unusual element of the building is a tower which has at the comers four chimney shafts with moulded cappings. Between each chimney are cast iron balustrade panels. Benvenula originally faced Wales Street and had a verandah on its eastern face: this has since been altered. Flat building has encroached on the south-east corner and substantial alterations have occurred to the building elsewhere.

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