

95 Westbourne Grove



City of Darebin Heritage Review 2000



Map Ref: **30 D9**

Within Heritage Overlay Area.

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Location

95 Westbourne Grove NORTHCOTE, Darebin City

Municipality

DAREBIN CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO97

Heritage Listing

Darebin City

Statement of Significance

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95 Westbourne Grove is of local architectural and historical significance. The house is in the pseudo Elizabethan style, possibly to the design of the local architect James Birtwhistle. Of particular interest is the use of the turned timber posts and decoration to the verandah, which predates most other examples of the residential use of this style and is a precursor to the suburban Queen Anne style of c1900-15 (see 6 Chaffey Avenue, Mildura, c1890s; Illawarra, 1 Illawarra Crescent, Toorak, 1888-9, also by Birtwhistle). The house also contributes to a significant Victorian era residential streetscape. Like Grand View (qv) in Prospect Grove, this house is a monument to the leaders of the meat industry in Northcote.

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Property Number

Physical Description 1

95 Westbourne Grove is a large, two-storey house of red brick construction with cement rendered dressing and steeply pitched gabled slated roofs, located on a corner site. A two-storey timber verandah faces the street, and is supported on turned timber posts. The verandah has Tudor arched bays with a panelled iron frieze above, in an unusual serpentine lace-pattern. The principal facade has a two-storey semi-octagonal bay window, whilst the west side facade has a single-storey semi octagonal bay. Windows are double-hung sashes, some with cream brick voussoirs. The entrance is located with an unusual gabled porch.

A cast-iron palisade fence, with finialled corner posts, rests on a basalt plinth for the major part of the boundary, whilst a formerly capped corrugated metal fence encloses the service yard.

Alterations include the unfortunate painting of the face-brickwork on the south elevation. Other detailed changes have occurred such as the replacement of the roof plumbing and the alteration of the gabled porch.

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