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Location

18 McIntyre St HAMILTON, Southern Grampians Shire

Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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SIGNIFICANCE:

One of the most distinctive late Victorian houses in Hamilton, especially notable for its successful combination of avant garde details. It was built in 1904 for Hector Gummow, auctioneer and prominent citizen.

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This house is of regional significance for the quality of its architecture and for its historical associations, particularly with its first owner, Frederick Gummow (1862-1909). From 1888 Gummow was manager of the Colonial Bank, Hamilton, and from 1896 he became one of the town's most prosperous auctioneers. He was a relative of H B Gummow, the newspaper proprietor. ([1]) His large brick residence in McIntyre Street was constructed in 1904. ([2])

It is not known who designed the house. One of the most distinctive and certainly the most innovative late Victorian houses in Hamilton, it is especially notable for its successful combination of *avant garde* details. While the form of the house is typical of the later nineteenth century, the battlements over the bay windows and the prominent stepped gable are drawn from the Queen Anne style. Other transitional indicators are the combination of timber and cast iron in the verandah frieze, the bull nose verandah roof, the rough cast detailing of the gables and the label moulds of the chimneys. Also of interest are the architraves of the windows which along with the rendering in the gables, hark back to the late mediaeval origins of the Queen Ann style.

The main feature of this garden is the well maintained large privet hedge along the front fence. The hedge provides a strong visual feature to both the house and the streetscape.

[1] Garden, Don, *Hamilton*, pp 120, 130-131, 172; Obituary *Hamilton Spectator*, 20 April 1909.

[2] *Hamilton Rate Book 1904*, No. 382. (house, NAV 60 pounds).

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - City of Hamilton Conservation Study, Timothy Hubbard with Carlotta Kellaway & Michael Looker (plus Francis Punch), 1991;
Construction dates	1904,
Hermes Number	24290
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Physical Description 1

Roof: »corrugated iron

Walls: »tuck pointed red brick

Dressings: »cement render

Plinth: »bluestone

Windows: »timber dhs

Paving: »concrete

Other: »cast iron lace & roof ridge, timber columns & frieze details

Physical Description 2

NOTABLE FEATURES:»battlements over bay windows and stepped gable, hedge and wisteria over entrance

Integrity

INTEGRITY: E

CONDITION: E

Historical Australian Themes

Evolution of the Town: 1900s

Tertiary Industry: Banking, Auctioneers

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