
Residence



23 Aberdeen Street,
Newtown

Location

23 Aberdeen Street, NEWTOWN VIC 3220 - Property No 200022

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1928

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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The house at 23 Aberdeen Street, Newtown, has significance as a substantial and predominantly intact example of a late Federation Bungalow style and comprises one of four large early 20th century Bungalows in this part of Aberdeen Street. Built in c. 1916-17 for Florence E Clarke, the dwelling appears to be in good condition when viewed from the street. The front fence having brick piers and plinth and open bays of horizontal metal tubing also

contributes to the significance of the place.

The house at 23 Aberdeen Street is architecturally significant at a LOCAL level (AHC D.2, E.1). It demonstrates original design qualities of a late Federation Bungalow style and is comparable to other neighbouring Bungalows built around the same time. These qualities include the broad gable roof form that projects towards the front, together with the rear attic skillion and gable roofs that project at the sides, and the return verandah formed under the main gable at the front. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the elevated single storey height, face brick wall construction, slate roof cladding with terra cotta ridge decoration and finials, rendered brick chimneys with face brick cappings and terra cotta pots, broad eaves, face brick and rendered verandah piers, decorative timber verandah valances, front steps in the north-east corner, bowed bay windows under the front verandah (including the corner bay), timber framed casement windows with leadlight highlights above, timber battening and paneling in the gable end and the solid shingled timber first floor sleep-out balustrade and brackets also in the gable end. The front fence having brick piers and plinth and open bays of horizontal metal tubing also contributes to the significance of the place.

The residence at 23 Aberdeen Street, is historically significant at a LOCAL level (AHC A.4.). It is associated with the development of substantial dwellings in this part of Aberdeen Street during the First World War. This dwelling was built in 1916-17 for Florence Clarke, daughter of Thomas Clarke, successful grocer in Geelong in the late 19th century.

Overall, the residence at 23 Aberdeen Street is of **LOCAL** significance.

Recommendations

Heritage Overlay Schedule Controls

External Paint Controls: Yes

Internal Alteration Controls: No

Tree Controls: No

Outbuildings and/or Fences: Yes- fence

Extent of Heritage Overlay & Significance

To the extent of the whole site.

Other Recommendations:

Nil

References

City of Newtown and Chilwell Rate Books 1860-1950, digital copies on CD, Geelong Heritage Centre.

Geelong Waterworks & Sewerage Trust Field Book No 114_019, c.1914. Source: Barwon Water.

E.A. Vidler, *The Book of Geelong, Places, Industries and Amusements*, Geelong, 1896.

Sands and McDougall's Directory, 1938 & 1950.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Newtown Heritage Study 2008 Vol 1-3, City of Greater Geelong, 2008;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	24329

Property Number

Physical Description 1

Description

The residence at 23 Aberdeen Street, Newtown, forms part of a small group of four substantial early 20th century Bungalows in this part of the street. This dwelling has a smaller front setback as the neighbouring properties and the front yard is largely comprised of mature trees and shrubs. The front is bound by an early fence with brick piers and plinth, and open bays of horizontal metal tubing.

The elevated single storey, face red brick, late Federation Bungalow styled dwelling is characterized by a broad gable roof form that projects towards the front, together with rear attic skillion and gable roofs that project at the sides. These roof forms are clad in slate and feature early terra cotta ridge decoration and finials. Early rendered brick chimneys with face brick cappings and terra cotta pots adorn the roofline. Broad overhangs are features of the eaves.

An early feature of the design is the return verandah formed under the main gable roof. It is supported by face brick and rendered piers and has decorative timber valances and is accessed by a series of steps in the north-east corner.

Other early features of the design include the bowed bay windows under the verandah (including the corner bay) with timber framed casement windows and leadlight highlights above, timber battening and paneling in the gable end and the solid shingled timber first floor sleep-out balustrade and brackets also in the gable end. The windows in the sleep out opening have been introduced.

Integrity

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Moderate-High Integrity.

Physical Conditions

Condition

Good

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