
56 French Street



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Location

56 French Street 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: This is one of the better examples of the early 20th century conversion of a 19th Century house. Key site for Botanic Gardens.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Bungalow
56 Kennedy Street

On one of the earliest residential blocks sold by the Crown which was purchased by Acheson French, this

building incorporates a nineteenth century house which has been converted into a bungalow. Of Local significance, it shows influences from not just the Federation period but also the formative Arts and Crafts movement which influenced domestic architecture at the turn of the century. The conversion included reroofing the building, rendering of the walls with rough cast, converting the front door to be assymmetrical and the introduction of a projecting gable. This conversion is of interest because it predates the fashions for the Californian bungalow and the picturesque style of the next two decades.

Several outbuildings survive at the rear of the site. The house is significantly intact from the date of its conversion and is in good condition. Being on a corner this is a key site for Botanic Gardens area.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - City of Hamilton Conservation Study, Timothy Hubbard with Carlotta Kellaway & Michael Looker (plus Francis Punch), 1991;
Construction dates	1880, 1925,
Hermes Number	26574
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

MATERIALS:

Roof: unglazed terra cotta tiles
Walls: roughcast rendered brickwork
Dressings: pressed red brick
Plinth: none
Windows: timber double hung sash
Paving: red concrete
Other: timber verandah arches

NOTABLE FEATURES: use of roughcast suggests Arts & Crafts movement, timber verandah detailing harks back to Federation style

Historical Australian Themes

ASSOCIATED HISTORIC THEMES

Evolution of the Town: 1920s

Integrity

Integrity: E

Physical Conditions

Conditions: G

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