
Redcourt



HO115 - Redcourt, 60 Droop Street, Footscray.JPG

Location

60 Droop Street, FOOTSCRAY VIC 3011 - Property No 2025006200

Municipality

MARIBYRNONG CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO115

Heritage Listing

Maribyrnong City

Statement of Significance

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City of Maribyrnong Heritage Review Statement of Significance:

Redcourt is significant to the Western Region because:

- architecturally, it is a substantial Edwardian-era suburban house and stable which is externally intact as the former home of a successful local businessman (Criterion D2);
- it is in an early transitional evolution of the Bungalow style, within the City, from the Colonial revival Federation

Bungalow to the Indian Bungalow, with its Far Eastern influences (Criterion F1);
- historically, the house is linked with one of Footscray's more prominent family businesses (Criterion H1);
- it is linked with the development of the regionally important meat trade because of the Considine association (Criterion A4).

Footscray Conservation Study SOS

Architecturally, a substantial suburban house and stable in an early but transitional form of the Bungalow style which is substantially intact. Historically, it is linked with one of Footscray's more prominent family businesses in this case linked with the locally important meat trade.

Australian Heritage Commission (AHC) criteria

The Australian Heritage Commission criteria consist of a set of eight criteria which cover social, aesthetic, scientific, and historic values. Each criterion has sub-criteria written specifically for cultural or natural values. The relevant criteria are:

D.2 good example of type

F.1 design or technological achievement .

H.1 association with important person or group

A.4 demonstrates well the course and pattern of history, important historic events

Heritage Study/Consultant	Maribyrnong - Maribyrnong Heritage Review, Jill Barnard, Graeme Butler, Francine Gilfedder & Gary Vines, 2000;
Construction dates	1916,
Other Names	Considine house,
Hermes Number	28991
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Asymmetrically planned, of red brick and tiled in Marseilles pattern terra- cotta, this house shows some of the previous era's Queen Anne characteristics (form) but also the Federation Bungalow manner and its evolution as the Indian Bungalow. The same high hipped roof serves as a basis for gabled room bays at either end of the verandah, as in the Queen Anne designs, but here the design approach is much simpler with the timber verandah brackets and posts showing a Far Eastern inspiration.

Leadlight top casements to window groups are among the few ornamental gestures. A dressed stone verandah coping encloses plain terra- cotta floor tiles and even the projecting gables, with their stained shingling, show restraint. Distinctive chimney caps also suggest the Far Eastern influence and correspond with examples designed by the architect, Purnell. The chain-wire perimeter fence and iron-gate probably replaced round-head timber picket, as seen in the surviving fence posts and frame in 1989. Beyond the house, a large contemporary stable complex (obscured from view) presumably relates to the Considine family's business; there is also a 1920s garage on the Geelong Road boundary which visually relates to the house.

Physical Conditions

Picket fence replaced

Physical Description 2

Context

On an exposed corner site, it adjoins an Edwardian house and opposes a Victorian villa. Other Victorian era houses lie to the south.

Historical Australian Themes

Thematic context

Australian Principal Theme Building settlements, towns and cities

PAHT Subtheme Making suburbs

Local Theme(s) Employers' Housing

Physical Description 3

Map (Melway) 42 C3

Boundary description The title land and buildings with emphasis on fabric from or near the construction date and Considine occupation.

Heritage Significance Regional

Creation date(s) 1916

Local Government Area City of Maribyrnong

Ownership Type Private?

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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