TERRACE HOUSES



140-142 Edward St Brunswick



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Location

140 & 142 EDWARD STREET,, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No 3497

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO472

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The double-storey terrace pair at 140 and 142 Edward Street, Brunswick, built in 1889-90, is significant. Nonoriginal alterations and additions are not significant.

How is it significant?

The double-storey terrace pair at 140 and 142 Edward Street, Brunswick, is of local representative and aesthetic

significance to the City of Moreland.

Why is it significant?

It is significant as a representative example of a Victorian Italianate terrace pair, displaying the typical features of this type, such as the pre-cast ornaments adorning the facade, the decorated tall parapet concealing the M-profile hipped roof, and the moulded chimneys. It is of note for the less common siting built hard on the frontage with no setback, which has resulted in detail such as the moulded crossheads above the windows and doors. This imposing form is relatively unusual in Brunswick and distinguishes the building in the streetscape. (Criteria D & E)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Moreland Heritage Gaps Study 2017, Context Pty Ltd, 2017; Moreland - Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990;
Construction dates	1889,
Other Names	PAIR,
Hermes Number	56308
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The terrace at 140 and 142 Edward Street, Brunswick, located on the south side of the street, is a Victorian twostorey semi-detached pair. Notably, it is built to the street frontage with minimal side setbacks and without a verandah, which is a relatively unusual form in Brunswick. The front elevation of the masonry house is finished with smooth render. The facade is symmetrical with a decorated parapet, two central front doors with bluestone steps and flanked by sash windows on both levels. The doors appear to be original. The windows, originally timber framed, have been altered in various ways. The windows of No. 142 have been replaced with new timber frames at both levels, the ground level window of No. 140 has been replaced with a metal frame, whereas the window of the first floor appears to be original with an added flyscreen.

Above the front doors and windows at ground level are moulded crossheads supported by console brackets, featured also underneath the parapet. The parapet motif is symmetrical above each pair, with an arched pediment containing a shell flanked by volutes and surmounted by acroterions to either side. The ornate precast Victorian motifs are typical of the Boom period of the late 1880s.

The side elevations are rendered brick and left undecorated. The roof is a combination of the hipped and gabled form, with a central valley dividing the pair. It is clad with Marseille pattern terra cotta tiles (presumably having replaced original slate or corrugated iron). The roof is pierced by two rendered corbelled chimneys.

Physical Conditions

Good

Integrity

The key visible changes to the houses have been the alterations to the windows and recladding of the roof, as noted above. A rear brick addition is visible from the side, although it is set back from the street and is not intrusive.

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