HOUSE (OOMAH)





73 Hope St Brunswick

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Location

73 HOPE STREET, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No 12314

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO479

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

'Oomah', 73 Hope Street, Brunswick, the house built in 1914 for hotelkeeper and Brunswick Councillor William Henry Crate, is significant. Non-original alterations and additions are not significant. The front fence is sympathetic, but not significant.

How is it significant?

'Oomah', 73 Hope Street, Brunswick, is of local historical, representative and aesthetic significance to the City of

Moreland.

Why is it significant?

'Oomah' is an intact and well-detailed example of an Edwardian timber house with characteristic asymmetric form and details such as the brick and render chimneys, imitation Ashlar facade, bracketed eaves and bullnose verandah with turned timber posts and cast-iron frieze. It is distinguished by its many fine timber details including the scalloped boards and timber truss work to the gable and gablet ends, the ornate bargeboard and carved brackets to the main gable, the ornate brackets to the window hood, and the finely detailed window architraves and the recessed entry doorway. It is also notable for its high degree of intactness and integrity. (Criteria D & E)

Moreland - Moreland Heritage Gaps Study 2017, Context Pty Ltd, 2017; Moreland -

Heritage Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Moreland -Study/Consultant

Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation

Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990:

Construction dates 1914,

Hermes Number 56440

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Physical Description 1

'Oomah' is a double fronted timber Edwardian house, situated on the south side of the street. It has a shallow setback from the street boundary and has modest side setbacks.

Asymmetrical in plan, it has a steeply pitched hip corrugated iron roof with a gablet and a projecting gable to one side. Both the gablet and the main gablet are decorated with timber truss work featuring delicate turned spindles and a finial and are clad in scalloped boards. The main gable also has an ornate bargeboard with filigree detail and shaped lobes with a disk, and ornate carved timber brackets. Other details include the eaves brackets alternating with shaped boards. The separate verandah has a bullnose profile and is supported by turned timber posts with a cast iron frieze and has dentilling along the fascia. There are paired timber sash windows with arched toplights and ornate surrounds, with a window hood supported by ornate brackets over the windows to the projecting bay. The entrance doorway is slightly recessed and contains the original panelled door with an arched window set within ornate timber surrounds with sidelights and highlights. The house name 'Oomah' in cursive font in metal set at an angle is to one side of the door. The front walls are clad in imitation Ashlar with weatherboards to the side, and there are three red brick chimneys with unpainted roughcast render tops with a slight balloon profile and terracotta pots.

Physical Conditions

Excellent

Integrity

Viewed from the street, the house appears intact with some modifications to the details. The glass to the entry door and surrounds has been replaced and it appears the verandah posts have been replaced sympathetically, as has the timber verandah floor. The timber picket front fence is sympathetic, but not original.

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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