
House



609 Park Street, Brunswick

Location

609 PARK STREET,, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No 2346

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO553

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 12, 2023

What is significant?

The house at 609 Park Street, Brunswick is significant. The form of the Federation era house is significant, along with the tiled roof, central dormer and balcony, timber joinery and tuck-pointed brickwork. The tessellated tiles to the central footpath entry and timber boundary fence are also significant. The garage and associated driveway are not significant.

How is it significant?

The house is of local aesthetic significance, and has local representative value, to the City of Moreland.

Why is it significant?

With an array of particular features specific to a Federation Queen Anne cottage, largely intact and in excellent condition, the place demonstrates the principal characteristics of this style. (Criterion B) The house features intact examples of finely crafted features to the roof, facade and front landscaping which are associated with this style and demonstrates careful proportioning and massing, to develop a highly pleasing overall aesthetic effect. (Criterion E)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Moreland Heritage Nominations Study, Extent Heritage, 2022;
Construction dates	1915,
Hermes Number	56558
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Victorian house

Physical Conditions

Good The site is in excellent condition.

Integrity

Minor Modifications

- AC unit on the western side *
- Replacement of front fence
- Addition of garage to the rear

The dwelling has undergone very little visible change and retains a high level of integrity.

Physical Description 2

The dwelling at 609 Park Street, Brunswick is a brick Federation Queen Anne house with hip roof in terracotta Marseilles tiles punctuated by gable-roofed first floor balcony with timber panelled ceiling, and a trio of dormer windows on east and west sides, with the central dormer gabled. Small terracotta finials are similarly used alongside ridgecapping as decoration. The masonry features evidence of tuck pointing and horizontal 'blood and bandages' detail rendered and painted in cream, including across window sills and lintels. Its broadly symmetrical facade and elevations are broken by asymmetrical entry porch, which also features leadlight windows likely to be original. Verandah joinery features chamfered timber posts, timber valence with decorative cutaways and simple timber brackets. The entry pathway is paved in tessellated terracotta tiles that are in excellent condition and may be original. Timber fence is unlikely to be original but is in keeping with the style.

Situated opposite former inner circle railway on a wide street lined with *Melaleuca linariifolia* (AKA 'Snow in summer'). The dwelling is a survivor of its era between two low-rise postwar blocks of flats.

Park Street is a wide street lined with native plantings such as gum trees and *Melaleuca linariifolia*. The housing stock on the northern side of Park Street within the vicinity of the subject site is characterised by a mixture of

Victorian, Federation and Inter-War dwellings. The subject site is located opposite the Hardy Gallagher Reserve.

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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