
BLUESTONE COTTAGE

Location

82 BELL STREET,, COBURG VIC 3058 - Property No 29580

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0689

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO23

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 1, 2008

82 Bell Street is of state historical and architectural Significance. It is a remnant of the original complex of bluestone buildings of Coburg, many of which have been demolished. Its historical Significance lies in its connection with Pentridge Prison, which played a dominant role in the development of Coburg in particular, and colonial Victoria generally. This Significance is enhanced by the house's long connection with the Smith family, several of whom, including the original occupant James Smith, were warders at Pentridge. Architecturally, the bluestone construction reinforces the visual association with Pentridge.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - City of Coburg Heritage Conservation & Streetscape Study, Timothy Hubbard Pty Ltd, 1991; Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999;
Other Names	House, Pentridge Warder's Cottage, 1860, Bluestone,

Hermes Number 58991

Property Number

Physical Description 1

82 Bell Street is a four-roomed cottage of ashlar bluestone with a hipped slate roof, two brick chimneys and a rear skillion-roofed verandah which has been converted into a kitchen and bathroom. The front skillion-roofed verandah is supported by square section timber posts and has no frieze. Later additions include a separate two roomed weatherboard building, comprising a kitchen and laundry.(3)

(3) Research notes, File No. 845523-M from the Heritage Branch of the Ministry for Planning and Environment

Key Architectural Elements: ashlar bluestone construction
hipped slate roof

Conservation Guidelines: repair slate roof
reinstate original or sympathetic verandah

Principal Historic Themes: association with crime and punishment

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