
PRESTONIA

Location

357 BRUNSWICK ROAD,, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No 380

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO44

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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Prestonia is of local architectural and historical Significance. It is a fine example of an Italianate mansion constructed of locally-made bricks. Historically, it has associations with a number of prominent Brunswick business people, in particular brickworks owner James Stroud, for whom the house was built. With Hazeldeane (359 Brunswick Road; see datasheet), it is a local landmark.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999;
Construction dates	1885,
Other Names	House,
Hermes Number	59005
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Prestonia is a two storey bichrome brick Italianate mansion with a prominent tower. It has brown and cream face brickwork walls and a hipped slate roof with bracketed eaves. A return cast iron verandah and balcony with a concave corrugated iron roof and cast iron lacework and balustrading stretches between two protruding bays at the south-west and north-east corners. The tower has a rendered parapet with a wide cornice, and is surmounted by delicate cast iron balustrading.

The front picket fence is not original.

Key Architectural Elements: decorative 19th century 2-storey bichrome brick Italianate design
original cast iron verandah and balcony
freestanding on large block

Conservation Guidelines: remove intrusive vegetation from front garden

Comparative Examples: Hazeldeane, 359 Brunswick Road, Brunswick

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