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Location

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Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO190

Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

'Cloverley', designed by John M Anderson and constructed in 1887, at 149 Melbourne Road, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

'Cloverley' at 149 Melbourne Road, Williamstown is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is significant for its strong associations with John Anderson who designed many notable villas that gave expression to the land 'boom' development in Williamstown in the nineteenth century. (AHC criteria A4, D2 and H1)

Aesthetically, it is significant as a relatively intact Victorian villa, which is notable for its rich decoration, particularly to the verandah. It was designed by one of Williamstown's more prolific residential architects. (AHC criteria E1 and F1)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Hobsons Bay - Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Hobsons Bay City Council, 2006;
Architect/Designer	Anderson, John,
Other Names	Cloverley,
Hermes Number	15123
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

'Cloverley' is a double-fronted, ashlar boarded, Italianate styled villa with a cast-iron verandah, bracketed eaves and uncommon octagonal brick chimneys. The roof is hipped and slated and a central gable adorns the richly decorated verandah, with its duplex posts.

Ornament includes the foliated tympanum, panelled friezes and dentillation to the cornice moulding. The verandah is placed on stone foundations and the pilasters to the walls show the architect-owner's involvement in embellishing what is a common suburban form.

The slates have been replaced with tile-pattern roofing; the scalloped gutter valence has been removed; the original unusual baluster-pattern timber fence replaced c1920; the stone painted; the finials and ogee gutters removed (photograph held of original condition).

Integrity

External Integrity

Integrity - High. Condition - Good.

Physical Description 2

Context

One of a number of Victorian villas in Melbourne and related to the adjoining brick villa, probably by the same architect. Also near to and enhanced by an old garden originally of the Creeke family.

Historical Australian Themes

Making Suburbs

Physical Description 3

Associations

JM Anderson

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