Victorian Heritage Database Report

GAWLER





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Location

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Municipality

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Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO608

Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - July 31, 2018

What is significant?

The Federation house known as 'Gawler', 9 Vincent Street, Glen Iris, a dwelling built in 1915-16.

Elements that contribute to the significance of the place include (but are not limited to):

. the house's original external form, materials and detailing

. the house's high level of integrity to its original design

Later alterations and additions, including a rear addition and garage, are not significant.

How is it significant?

'Gawler', 9 Vincent Street, Glen Iris is of local architectural and aesthetic significance to the City of Stonnington.

Why is it significant?

'Gawler', 9 Vincent Street, Glen Iris is a fine and representative example of a Federation house. It displays typical features of the Federation Bungalow architectural style popular in the 1910s in Glen Iris and across Melbourne more broadly, including simple massing with large roof planes, a broad, deep verandah and central dormer window (Criterion D).

'Gawler', 9 Vincent Street, Glen Iris is a well-considered and carefully detailed example of what can broadly be defined as a Federation Bungalow house. The simple symmetrical design, with main cross-gabled roof and prominent hooded dormer, together with the restrained use of distinctive architectural elements, including simple tapered chimneys, polygonal windows, exposed timber rafter ends and oversized timber brackets presents a picturesque composition of this architectural style (Criterion E).

Heritage Study/Consultant	Stonnington - City of Stonnington Federation Houses Study, GJM Heritage Pty Ltd, 2017;
Construction dates	1915,
Other Names	9 Vincent Street GLEN IRIS,
Hermes Number	201744
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The house at 9 Vincent Street, known as 'Gawler', is a substantial, detached attic-style villa within an informal, modern garden setting. The simple overall massing, large street-facing gable, and broad roof planes, with the main roof extending in a skillion form over a deep front porch, draws from the Federation Bungalow style. The villa, constructed in 1915-1916, is in very good condition.

The villa has an unusual symmetrical cross-ridge roof form, creating large steeply pitched gables to four elevations and a square plan form. The wall construction is red brick at the lower level, laid in stretcher bond with brick quoining to the corners, and the roof is clad in interlocking Marseilles tiles with simple terracotta ridge capping and fern and gryphon finials (Figure 3). Two tall tapered chimneys clad in roughcast remain, each with a single terracotta chimney pot (Figure 4). Below the roof line, the chimney stack and breasts are exposed red brick. The steeply pitched gable ends are finished in roughcast render (overpainted) with simple timber lattice-work above (Figure 3). Polygonal bay windows to the ground floor and gable ends are three sided, with an arched top rail to the middle lower light, and timber mullions to the multi-pane upper lights (Figure 5). Small tiled window hoods with exposed rafters and simple timber brackets are located above the attic-storey bay windows, and the ground floor windows are shaded by the overhanging roof with exposed rafter tails and supported on simple oversized timber brackets. The verandah floor is tiled, with bluestone steps. A metal lamp hangs within the front porch. The front door is timber panelled with a leaded window to the top third, flanked by half height side lead lights with brick sills.

The site is bounded by a modern brick pier and timber infill fence, with timber infill above. A large addition, with similar detailing, is located to the rear of the house, and a modern garage accessed via a driveway down the northern boundary is located at the rear of the site. Some smaller trees are located down the side boundary.

Integrity

The house retains a high degree of integrity to the Federation Bungalow style in fabric, form and detail. While the house has undergone some alterations and additions, particularly to the rear, these do not diminish the ability to understand and appreciate the place as a fine example of a Federation house.

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