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# Concrete House and Fence



383 Brunswick Road,  
Brunswick

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## Location

383 Brunswick Road BRUNSWICK, MORELAND CITY

## Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO550

## Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 12, 2023

### What is significant?

The house and fence at 383 Brunswick Road, Brunswick is significant. The form and concrete construction technology of the house is significant, along with the associated original front boundary fence. The rear extension and garden is not significant.

### How is it significant?

The house and fence is of historical significance and rarity value to the City of Moreland. It also demonstrates a high degree of technical achievement at the local level.

### **Why is it significant?**

The house and fence have historical significance as evidence of early concrete house construction in Brunswick and Moreland more generally (Criterion A).

The place is rare as one of four (known) houses of concrete construction in Moreland, likely to be among the earliest known surviving examples in Victoria (Criterion B).

The place demonstrates a high degree of technical achievement through the use of concrete construction in the early twentieth century (Criterion F)

Heritage Study/Consultant    Moreland Heritage Nominations Study, Extent Heritage, 2022;

Construction dates            1908,

Hermes Number                206423

Property Number

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## **Physical Description 1**

The dwelling at 383 Brunswick Road, Brunswick, is a single storey, triple-fronted early twentieth century Federation-era house in concrete rendered in coursed ashlar effect, with hipped corrugated iron roof, broken back verandah with turned timber posts, timber rail with valance and tessellated terracotta tiles. There is a rendered masonry fence fitted with wrought iron infills. A projecting gable to the front of the structure has decorative timber joinery and finial at gable end. Cement rendered 'quoining' on the corners of the structure offers a decorative finish to the residence, and the chimneys are similarly rendered with terracotta chimney pots.

The house is situated in a built urban landscape with a broad range of housing styles. Brunswick Road is a busy arterial road.

The residence appears to be in good condition

## **Integrity**

- Colorbond roof - green and faded

- Air conditioning unit and ducts on western wall

The dwelling retains a high level of integrity, having undergone very little change

## **Physical Conditions**

The residence appears to be in good condition.

*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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