
Gwenroy House



28267 163 Gordon Street

Location

163 Gordon Street MARIBYRNONG, Maribyrnong City

Municipality

MARIBYRNONG CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO43

Heritage Listing

Maribyrnong City

Statement of Significance

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Architecturally, a typical suburban villa, but distinguished here by its use of basalt and its mason owner, in an area known in the metropolis for its stone quarries.

Heritage Study/Consultant Maribyrnong - City of Footscray Urban Conservation Study, Graeme Butler, 1989;

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Physical Description 1

Double-fronted, hip-roofed and built of finely jointed quarry-face stone, this villa is an appropriate illustration of its rust owner's craft. Brickwork (fancy whites) built around openings and as three-course dog-toothing below the facade eaves, is the minority material. Added, in the form of ornament, is the convex-profile cast-iron verandah, with its stylized Corinthian order columns and palmette cast-iron frieze. The chimneys, with their near cornice-less profile, bely the expected chimney pattern of the house construction date and hark back to an earlier era. The door joinery is modest, with sidelights and 'cricket bat' mouldings to door panels.

Integrity

External Integrity

Brick piers and balustrading occupy the lower half of the verandah, part of which has been built in. The brickwork has been painted, fence replaced and an intrusive garage added on the north.

Physical Description 2

Streetscape

Adjoins a row of similarly formed timber villas on the south and relates, at some distance, to a row to the north. Most have been altered and immediately to the north is an unrelated recently renovated motel building.

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