
House

Location

1088 Malvern Road ARMADALE, Stonnington City

Municipality

STONNINGTON CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO323

Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

Statement of Significance

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1088 Malvern Rd is of regional significance for its garden setting and the intactness and simple strenght of design, unusual for this early date. The lack of ostentation makes a dramatic comparison with other developments in the area. This house can be compared with the Wertheim residence, Whernside Avenue, also by the same renowned firm of architects. Large expanses of red brickwork and terracotta tiles provide an architectural character which avoids the elaborate excesses of some of the other revival styles of that period. It is also of historic significance for its association with HSW Lawson, a prominent state and federal politician.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Stonnington - City of Malvern Heritage Study, Nigel Lewis and Richard Aitken P/L, 1992;
Construction dates	1916,
Architect/Designer	Alsop, Rodney H, Klingender, FL,
Other Names	1088 Malvern Road, Armadale,
Hermes Number	31405

Physical Description 1

An imposing two storey house of relatively simple design. Architectural interest is created by the projecting shingled and belled balcony over the side entry porch, the loggia on the front facade which has paired timber columns rising from a brick balustrade, with steeply angled brackets of a mediaeval character. Above this is a recessed loggia which has been infilled. There are few major projections other than a small bay in front elevation. Windows are of simple Georgian Revival character with shutters and the unpainted concrete lintels provide some contrast with the predominant use of red brick. Internally, the house has seen few changes and features unpainted stained ceiling beams, door, window and stair joinery. The house is very restrained for this early period, using simple massing of forms to create architectural character. The house is situated at the end of a deep block with an extraordinary garden with massive trees and secluded lawn areas. A low crimped wire fence with timber posts and rails fence adds to the special character of the landscaping of this property. The house is apparently totally intact including the garden.

Local Historical Themes

8.4.1 Houses as a symbol of wealth, status and fashion 5.3.1 Politicians and their places of residence

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