
HOUSES

Location

1-3 BLYTH STREET,, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No 10590

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO25

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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A pair of large houses, significant as an example of the larger houses built by professional families in Blyth and adjoining streets in the 1880s, and for its continuity of use as doctors rooms and residence.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999;
Construction dates	1888,
Other Names	Individual, fence,
Hermes Number	58994
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Physical Description 1

The building at 1-3 Blyth Street is a pair of two storey attached brick houses, Italianate in style. Built on face bluestone plinths, the two double-fronted residences have projecting bays rising through both levels, each with three double-hung timber-framed arched windows with prominent keystones and an ornate moulded string course below impost level. The brick facades and chimneys are rendered; the chimneys retain their original unpainted finish. The balconies have cast iron posts (two of which have had the capitals removed) and decorative cast iron lacework to friezes and balustrades. Neither the frieze nor balustrade on the first floor of 3 is original. The hipped roofs, which have bracketed eaves, were once both slate, but the roof on 3 has been replaced with corrugated galvanised steel.

Both houses retain their cast iron palisade fences and gates; 3 is still occupied by medical rooms.

Key Architectural Elements: prominent streetscape presence
distinctive semi detached 19th century Italianate design
original cast iron verandahs, balconies and palisade fences

Conservation Guidelines: No. 3 reinstate slate roof
reinstate original or sympathetic uniform external colour scheme

Principal Historic Themes: provision of health care and related activities

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