## NEWTOWN URBAN CONSERVATION STUDY. - 'C' CITATIONS. Ref: 198

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NAME: Saffron

FORMER NAME: Dunbar Cottage
ADDRESS: 61 Saffron Street

USE: House

SIGNIFICANT DATE: CONSTRUCTION DATE: 1889 SOURCE: 1

ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS DATE: 1990s SOURCE: Visual

DESIGNER: — BUILDER: —

CRITERIA: H1; Ar1 HISTORIC THEME: 2.3

DESCRIPTION: STYLE: Italianate STORIES: | DETACHED.

MATERIALS: WALLS Timber ROOF Iron STRUCTURE Stud

CONDITION: Excellent INTACTNESS: Fair THREATS: Over-restoration.

SIGNIFICANT INTACT ELEMENTS:

FORM. FACADE. ROOF FORM. EAVES DECORATION. CHIMNEY. DOOR. PAINTWORK

SCHEME. CONTEXT Nos: 63, 65.

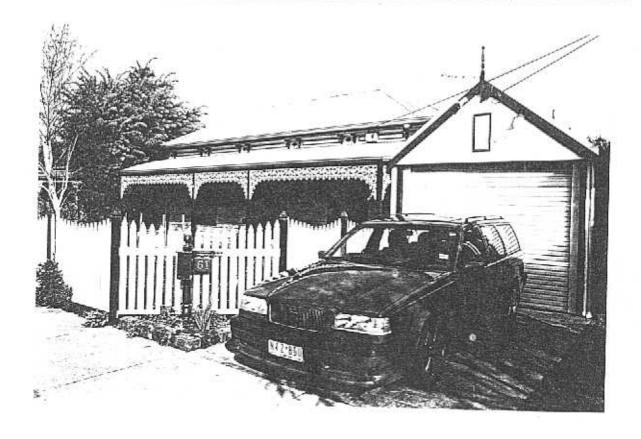
SIGNIFICANCE:

TYPE: HISTORICAL, ARCHITECTURAL.

LEVEL: LOCAL.

DESIGNATION EXISTING: PLANNING SCHEME.
RECOMMENDED CONTROL: PLANNING SCHEME.

SURVEY: RP DATE: 16.3.1997 NEGS: 12.5; 1279.6



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HISTORY: Built in 1889, this six room timber house with a shed was owned and occupied by Thomas Walsh, a clerk, for several years. The house remained in the Walsh family but, by 1900, Margaret Walsh was the owner and occupier. She named the house Dunbar Cottage. By 1910, Ellen Walsh, a spinster, was the owner of the house and she was still living there in 1925 when the land measurements were given as 94'7" x 80'.

VISUAL DESCRIPTION: A double-fronted timber symmetrical Italianate house with a hipped roof. The eaves have turned spindle ogee brackets with panels and lozenges between. The door is four-panel.

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS: No 69 and ref: 199(No 71) similar.

SIGNIFICANCE: A characteristic timber symmetrical Italianate house built in 1889. It is architecturally significant as representative of this domestic style and historically as embodying family life in Newtown in the last years before the financial crash.

INTACTNESS: Fair. The verandah appears to have been repaired with the verandah floor being replaced by a concrete slab, inhibiting sub-floor cross-ventilation. The fence, flyscreen door, garage (etc?) are recent.

CONDITIONS & THREATS: Excellent. But threatened by lack of any sub-floor ventilation.

<sup>1</sup> City of Newtown and Chilwell Ratebooks.