## NEWTOWN URBAN CONSERVATION STUDY. - 'C' CITATIONS. Ref: 261

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NAME:

Lebrima

FORMER NAME: ADDRESS:

36 Virginia Street

USE: House

SIGNIFICANT DATE:

CONSTRUCTION DATE: 1891-2 SOURCE: 1

DESIGNER: -

BUILDER:

CRITERIA: H1; Ar1

HISTORIC THEME: 2.3

DESCRIPTION: STYLE: Late Italianate STORIES: 1 MATERIALS:

DETACHED.

WALLS Timber

ROOF Zincalume

STRUCTURE Stud

CONDITION: Excellent

INTACTNESS: Very good

THREATS: -

SIGNIFICANT INTACT ELEMENTS:

FORM, FACADE, VERANDAH, EAVES DECORATION, VERANDAH DECORATION.

CHIMNEYS, DOOR, WINDOWS, PAINTWORK SCHEME, GARDEN STRUCTURE. Tiled

pavement & urns. CONTEXT Nos: 35-37, 39 & 42.

SIGNIFICANCE:

TYPE:

HISTORICAL, ARCHITECTURAL.

LEVEL:

LOCAL.

DESIGNATION EXISTING:

PLANNING SCHEME.

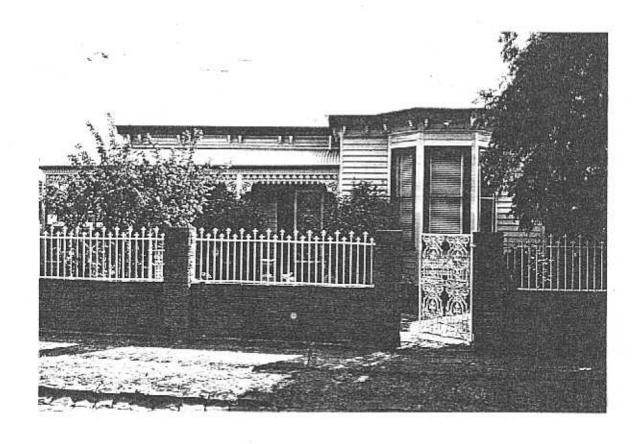
RECOMMENDED CONTROL:

PLANNING SCHEME.

SURVEY: RP

DATE:30.3.1997

NEGS: 10.31 & 1281.25



HISTORY: John Molony, post office clerk, had his eight room timber house with bathroom and pantry built in 1891 or 1892 (1891 rate book is missing) and lived in it for a few years. About 1900 he moved out and rented the house to a number of people over the years: Isadore Wartzki, tobacconist; John Charles, Superintendent of Police; George Knight, draper; Fanny Davidson; then Arthur Rashleigh. Around 1900 Molony named the house Lebrima. He still owned it in 1925 when it was measured at 50' x 115'. 1

VISUAL DESCRIPTION: A double-fronted timber Late Italianate house with a hipped roof. The right bay is set forward with a canted bay window expressed at the roof. The bull-nosed hipped roof verandah is in the angle. It has dentillated cornice, cast-iron lace valance and brackets in a maple-leaf pattern, with timber Doric posts.

Chimneys are rendered with Classical moulds. The window at left is tripartite. The entrance has a four-panelled door, side and fan-lights in ruby glass. It retains a pair of urns on plinths and chequerboard diamond encaustic paving. Weatherboards are beaded, over a bluestone ashlar base.

SIGNIFICANCE: A timber Late Italianate house built in 1891-2. It is architecturally significant locally as representative of this domestic style. The urns are a relatively rare survival. It is historically significant locally in embodying life in Newtown immediately prior to the financial crash of 1892.

INTACTNESS: Very good. The fence and security door are not appropriate. The ballustrade is recent.

CONDITION: Excellent

City of Newtown and Chilwell Ratebooks.