

Description

Two storey, steeply gabled with an attic and clad in red brick and textured stucco (side gables) the design appears after the English Cottage/Bungalow manner with distinctive details including the arched attic porch opening, the flared and shingled attic balustrade, and the deeply recessed ground-level porch. Cement tiles are used on the roof.

Comparative Examples

The following Camberwell sites may be compared with this site.

- 19, THE RIDGE, 1916
- 12, HUNTER ROAD, 1918
- 9, SEFTON PLACE, 1919-20
- 286, LINTON ROAD, 1920
- 44, CURRAJONG AVENUE, 1920c
- 6, IRAMOO STREET, 1920c
- 17, THREADNEEDLE STREET, 1920c
- 65, YARRBAT AVENUE, 1920c
- 42, SPENCER STREET, 1921-3
- 899, TOORAK ROAD, 1921
- 930, BURKE ROAD, 1922
- 210, WHITEHORSE ROAD, 1922
- 16, ALMA ROAD, 1923
- 648, BURKE ROAD, 1923
- 21, CANTERBURY ROAD, 1923
- 31, DEEPDENE ROAD, 1923
- 7, WARWICK AVENUE, 1923
- 90, MONT ALBERT ROAD, 1924-5
- 168A, MONT ALBERT ROAD, 1924-5
- 9, ROCHESTER ROAD, 1924-6
- 630-638, BURKE ROAD, 1924
- 322-394, CAMBERWELL ROAD, 1924
- 12, MONT ALBERT ROAD, 1924
- 10, FITZGERALD STREET, 1924c
- 11, ALMA ROAD, 1925(?)
- 269, LINTON ROAD, 1925-6c
- 10, DONNA BUANG STREET, 1925
- 2, MARTIN ROAD, 1925
- 4, ST. ANDRIES STREET, 1925
- 1, THREADNEEDLE STREET, 1925
- 931, TOORAK ROAD, 1925
- 118, WATTLE VALLEY ROAD, 1925
- 55, BATH ROAD, 1925c
- 77, GREYTHORNE ROAD, 1925c
- 1, THREADNEEDLE STREET, 1925c
- 359, WHITEHORSE ROAD, 1925c
- 513, WHITEHORSE ROAD, 1925c
- 146, YARRBAT AVENUE, 1925c

External Integrity

Generally original, except for the new picket fence which is unsuited to the house period.

Streetscape Contribution

Contributing element to a generally Bungalow-era precinct.

Significance

Architecturally, a near original design in a minority residential style which is a prominent contributor to a contemporary streetscape: of regional interest.

- 1 Allan, p.326f
- 2 ibid.
- 3 F.ST.

Masonic Temple

12 Prospect Hill Road, Camberwell



Study Grading: C

Construction Date: 1923-24

First Owner: Camberwell Lodge

History

The Emulation Lodge of 'Ancient Free and Accepted Masons' was the first Masonic group in Camberwell, consecrated in 1889.¹ This Lodge, Camberwell (number 159), was consecrated in 1890.

Other 'craft lodges' (Acanthus, Ashburton, Balwyn, Boroondara, Burwood, Camberwell Grammarians, Canterbury, Corinthia, Deepdene, East Burwood, East Camberwell, Glen Iris, Hartwell, Prudence, Riversdale, Surrey Hills and Wattle Valley) also existed, some meeting at this hall, others going to Emulation Hall, Canterbury. 'Mark Lodges' also meet at Camberwell, along with the Royal Ark Marine Lodge and Royal Arch Chapter.² From 1891 the Camberwell Lodge rented rooms at the town hall, meeting once a month and arranging charity balls on other evenings.

The Foundation Stone of this building was laid in September, 1923, by R.W. Bro. W. Hattam, Chairman of Trustees. The architects were Gawler & Drummond and the builder, R.W. L.F.Lewellen.³

Description

Typical, stylistically, both for its era and its use, the 'temple' is designed exactly as that, a modern Greek temple. Using the prevailing neo-Grec or Greek revival style evident in major buildings like the Shrine and Port Authority Building, the two-storey building is rendered, parapetted and pilastered. Only the west elevation breaks from the conservative tradition, with its two-storey segment bowed bay.

The many Masonic temples in the Greek manner include one in Dandenong Road, Caulfield and another in Gheringhap Street, Geelong, both of a similar date. Only the Rochester Road Emulation Lodge (q.v.) broke away from the Greek tradition, using the mystic Egyptian style instead. The more recent East Melbourne Masonic Centre continued the Greek manner, but in a stripped form. The cypress specimens and forecourt landscaping appear original.

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 718, RIVERSDALE ROAD, 1919
 33, BROADWAY, 1920
 158, MONT ALBERT ROAD, 1920
 11, PRETORIA STREET, 1920
 23, SUNNYSIDE AVENUE, 1920
 286, LINTON ROAD, 1920
 44, CURRAJONG AVENUE, 1920c
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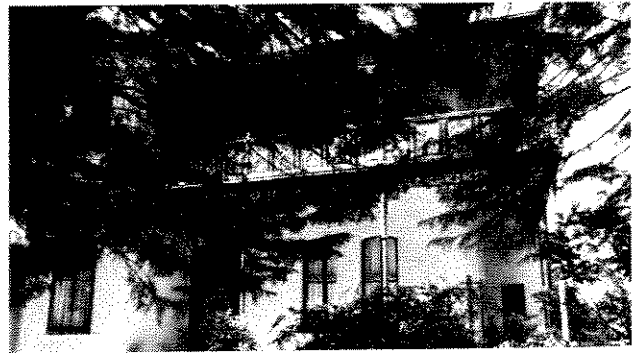
Isolated by vacant sites from contemporary elements in the shopping strip further to the west.

Significance

Architecturally, a near original Masonic Temple successfully designed in the style traditionally used for lodges and large commercial buildings of the era: of regional interest.

Historically, a long-term meeting place for many facets of the masonic craft in Camberwell: of regional interest and local importance.

Waverley, 32 Prospect Hill Road



Study Grading: C

Precinct: 29.10 Streetscape: 2

Construction Date: 1889

First Owner: McBean, John

History

Already retired by the construction date of this house (1889) and listed as 'a gentleman' in Shire records, John McBean changed his status to boot manufacturer towards the end of 1890's¹. His house was described as brick and of ten rooms in that period, being occupied briefly by James Warnock in the mid 1890's but otherwise by McBean². McBean was of the firm McBean, Hickman and Parker, boot makers and importers who were appropriately located in Perry Street, Collingwood. Melbourne directories do not list this firm until the late 1890's. McBean died in 1907, achieving recognition in a contemporary trade periodical, the *Australian Leather Journal*.

Later occupiers included the Henry McCutcheon family (c1918-1931) and the better known Charles J Ansett, father of Reginald Ansett who founded Ansett Airways Pty. Ltd., Ansett Motors (motor garages) and Ansett Motor Services (road and passenger services) during their tenure³. It is unlikely that Reginald ever lived here, being about 23 when the family took residence. By the early 1940's, they had moved on to Black Rock whilst Reginald himself had lived in the Boulevard, Hawthorn since the 1930's.

1 RB 1890-1, 521; RB 1898-9, 483; RB 1900-1, 505
 2 RB 1892-3, 599; RB 1893-4, 597; RB 1899-1900, 507
 3 D1933; D1934; CLF H51