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HISTORY

Formerly known as 'Warreen' it is a single storey timber house with a hipped and gabled roof. The site was purchased in 1909 by F.Matthews. The house appears to have been built in 1909 for the dentist Harold E. Mathews. The contractors Armour Bros. of McKillop Street built the house to the design of architects Buchan Laird and Buchan for 1039 pounds. Albert J. Rushbrook was resident from 1920 until at least 1941.

DESCRIPTION

The house has recently been clad in aluminium boards and decromastic roof tiles, however it was probably built with walls clad in weatherboards and roughcast and the roof in corrugated iron. The main decorative elements remain intact. These include the chimneys with bands of cement render contrasting with the red brick and strapwork, also the timber shingles and strapwork of the gable-ends, the timber fretwork on the verandah and the exceptional turret with finial.

SIGNIFICANCE

It is an Edwardian style house with interesting decorative elements, particularly the turret. It is of local significance.

POLICY/RECOMMENDATIONS

G.R.P.S.

A more appropriate fence and balustrade would greatly enhance the character of this building as would the reinstating of the original type of materials used for external cladding.

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