

# CITY OF GEELONG WEST

URBAN CONSERVATION STUDY: BUILDING IDENTIFICATION FORM.

BUILDING ADDRESS *27 Villamanka Street*

Type *residence* Original Use *residence*

PRESENT BUILDING TITLE -

EXISTING DESIGNATION

HBR

GBR

NER

GRPS

NATIONAL TRUST

Classified

Recorded

Reg.No.

*768*

CONSERVATION AREA

Name

*Villamanka Street*

Survey Date

*18.3.86*

Neg. File

*006.025*

PERIOD

pre 1860

1860 - 1879

1880 - 1899

1900 - 1919

1920 - 1939

post 1940



MATERIALS

walls *timber*

roof *corrugated iron*

CONSTRUCTION DATE

*1896*

source

*owner*

SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

original materials

early paint colour scheme or original unpainted finish

ornamental wall detailing

original doors, windows, hoods

intact verandah / porch structure

original parapet

original roof form and finish

original chimneys

eaves, roof or gable decoration

intact verandah decoration

early fence

early garden

other prominent contributing elevations

INTEGRITY RATING

excellent

good

fair

poor

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## HISTORY

This house is said to have been designed by Tombs and Durran, architects in 1896. It was owned by F.C.Pestell who also owned 29 Villamanta Street and two small cottages opposite. It was rented for some years to Mr Creer, partner of Creer and Roberts, drapers. Now owned by Miss O.E.Bartlett, (granddaughter of F.C.Pestell) who has lived here all of her life. A wash house was added in 1926 for Mr. Pestell.

## DESCRIPTION

It is a Late Victorian house with a symmetrical facade which is rather conservative for the date of construction. It is a single storey timber house, clad in weatherboards and the hipped roof is clad in corrugated iron. Two stuccoed chimneys rise from behind the ridge line. In the centre of the concave verandah is a projecting pediment with delicate fretwork. Other decorative elements include the eaves brackets of turned wood and the cast iron lace on the verandah.

## SIGNIFICANCE

27 Villamanta Street is Late Victorian house which has been owned by the same family since it was built. It is of local significance.

## POLICY/RECOMMENDATIONS

G.R.P.S.

A more appropriate fence would greatly enhance the character of this house as would more appropriate paint colours.

## REFERENCES

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