

HISTORY : Probably built in the 1860s(?).

VISUAL DESCRIPTION : A fine symmetrical, double-fronted, tuck-pointed axed ashlar bluestone cottage, set back, with quoins, cills and a slate gable-roof across. Both chimneys have unusual render moulds and one has a pot. There is a concave hip verandah, with cast-iron lace valence brackets and Composite posts with balustrade bands, fine and unusual. Spouting is original ogee. There is a cast-iron palisade fence and gate.

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS : The most intact, finely detailed stone cottage surviving in Richmond.¹
Compare : 59 Kent Street (ref : 133); 6 Yarra Street (ref : 193); 6 Bosisto Street, 1858 (Vol.2, pp.183 & 84) and 17 and 19 Brighton Street.

SIGNIFICANCE : A fine symmetrical bluestone ashlar cottage of the 1860s, which has been altered sympathetically. Of local architectural significance.

INTACTNESS : Apparently very good, as far as it goes. Only the two front rooms of the house survive. It lacks verandah floor. The verandah appears to be re-assembled, perhaps from another house² and the concrete plinths are not appropriate. The fence may also be from elsewhere. It has recent tubular steel posts and the bluestone base is not appropriate. The chimneys are painted.

CONDITION & THREATS : Excellent, well maintained.

REFERENCES : 1. O'Connor.

2. The bands indicate that it may be from a balustrade, rather than ground-storey.