

CITY OF GEELONG WEST

URBAN CONSERVATION STUDY: BUILDING IDENTIFICATION FORM

BUILDING ADDRESS **53 Weller Street**

Type: **Residence** Original Use: **residence**

PRESENT BUILDING TITLE **-**

EXISTING DESIGNATION	HBR	GBR	NER	GRPS	NATIONAL TRUST	
					Classified	Recorded
Reg No	-	-	-	782	-	-

CONSERVATION AREA Name: **Ashby**

Survey Date: **21.3.86**

Neg. File: **010.013**
010.015

PERIOD

pre 1860

1860 - 1879

1880 - 1899

1900 - 1919

1920 - 1939

post 1940



MATERIALS walls: **timber** roof: **corrugated iron**

CONSTRUCTION DATE: **c. 1925** source: **visual evidence**

SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

original materials	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	early paint colour scheme or original unpainted finish	<input type="checkbox"/>	ornamental wall detailing	<input type="checkbox"/>
original doors, windows, hoods	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	intact verandah / porch structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	original parapet	<input type="checkbox"/>
original roof form and finish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	original chimneys	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	eaves, roof or gable decoration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
intact verandah decoration	<input type="checkbox"/>	early fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	early garden	<input type="checkbox"/>
other prominent contributing elevations	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

INTEGRITY RATING: excellent good fair poor

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HISTORY

This house was built circa 1925.

DESCRIPTION

53 Weller Street is a beautifully intact example of a modest Bungalow. It is similar to known State Savings Bank houses of the period. It is a single storey house clad in weatherboards. The roof is gabled with corrugated iron cladding. It is an almost symmetrical design except for the side light by the front door. The main part of the house has a gabled roof which traverses the site. A central porch, which extends across most of the front elevation, is formed by a projecting gable which dominates this elevation. The tympanum of the gable has pressed metal and wooden shingles as well as a ventilator. The windows either side of the front door are a significant decorative feature of this house. They are in threes and have opening casements either side of a wider centrally fixed window light which has decorative lead lighting above an arched transom bar. The projecting gable is supported by substantial brick piers and timber columns. These are reflected in the balustrade and fence. An interesting decorative feature is the use of small niches in the four brick piers of the balustrade.

SIGNIFICANCE

53 Weller Street is a typical Bungalow design with unusual decorative niches in the balustrade. It has excellent integrity including the fence and gate. It is of local significance.

POLICY/RECOMMENDATIONS

G.R.P.S.

Removal of the verandah infill and painting the timber an appropriate colour would greatly enhance the character of this building.

REFERENCES