

CITY OF GEELONG WEST

URBAN CONSERVATION STUDY: BUILDING IDENTIFICATION FORM.

BUILDING ADDRESS *7 Wellington Street* Type *residence* Original Use *residence*

PRESENT BUILDING TITLE *Fernleigh formerly Anfield Cottage*

EXISTING DESIGNATION	HBR	GBR	NER	GRPS	NATIONAL TRUST	
					Classified	Recorded
Reg.No.	-	-	-	784	-	-

CONSERVATION AREA No. Name *Ashby*

Survey Date *2.4.86*

Neg. File *C17-007*

PERIOD

pre 1860

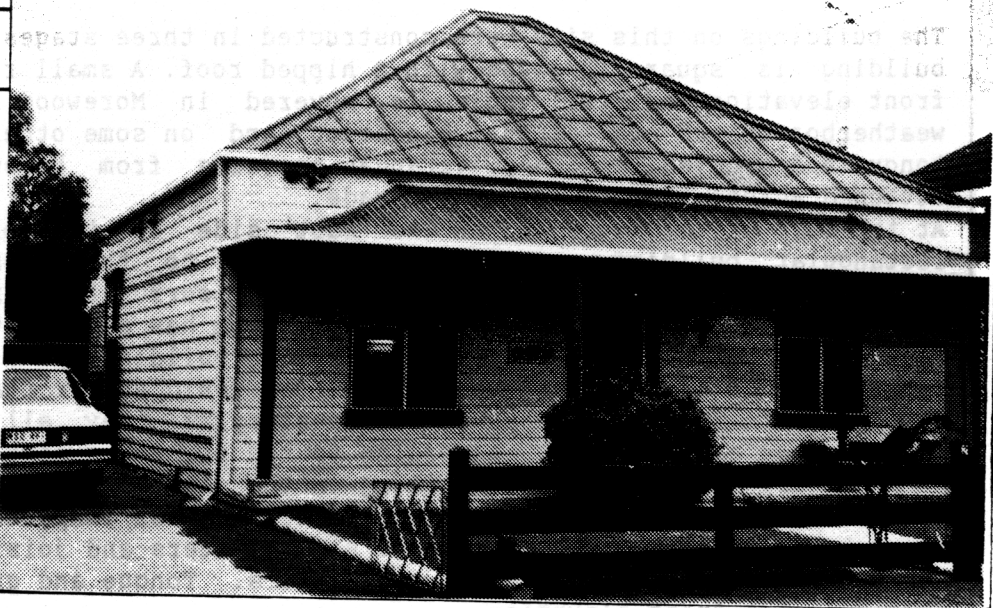
1860 - 1879

1880 - 1899

1900 - 1919

1920 - 1939

post 1940



MATERIALS walls *weatherboard tongue in groove weatherboard* roof *Morewood & Rogers roof tiles*

CONSTRUCTION DATE *c.1854* source *Taylor's Map, 1854*

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 type="checkbox"/>	eaves, roof or gable decoration <input 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"/>		

INTEGRITY RATING excellent good fair poor

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HISTORY

'Fernleigh' is a cottage which appears to date from the early 1850's. Taylor's map of 1854 shows a building in this position and its style and materials are characteristic for this period. The present owner, Mrs. Dorothy Doherty has lived in the house for most of the past eighty years. In 1900-01 the owner was Rose Clancy and the ratepayer was Hephizabah Sayle. At that time it was described as 'Anfield Cottage', a weatherboard building consisting of six rooms and a bathroom. Constable Patrick Hickey was the ratepayer in 1895-96 and J. Cameron was the owner.

DESCRIPTION

The buildings on this site were constructed in three stages. The front, four roomed building is square in shape with a hipped roof. A small ridge is parallel with the front elevation and the whole is covered in Morewood and Rogers tiles. The weatherboards on the front elevation and on some other parts of the walls, are tongue and grooved. A Regency verandah projects from below the spouting and is attached across the entire front facade.

At the rear of the house and to the east side of the block, is a two roomed rectangular building running perpendicular to the front building. This is also weatherboard with a hipped roof covered in corrugated iron. One room is the bathroom and once had a copper, the other room has a wood stove and brick chimney. (See photograph attached). Between these two buildings is a room which connects the two and this has a skillion roof. It would appear that all three parts to the building date from the mid nineteenth century as they all have window and door frames of an early design. According to the present owners the kitchen and bathroom were the original two roomed dwelling on the site.

The roof structure of the four roomed building was inspected by the consultants and found to be constructed of different sized rafters and joists. There are no struts supporting the central ridge or the rafters. Tongue and groove weatherboards still remain on the front elevation.

Decorative elements include the name plaque 'Fernleigh', the bell pull at the front door and the bell which is still in use and located at the back door. The front and back doors (see illustration) and the mantelpiece surrounding the fireplace in the living room, (see illustration). Early wallpaper is quite visible in the passage ceiling, even though a white 'paint' is over it. Most other internal walls and ceilings have been replaced.

SIGNIFICANCE

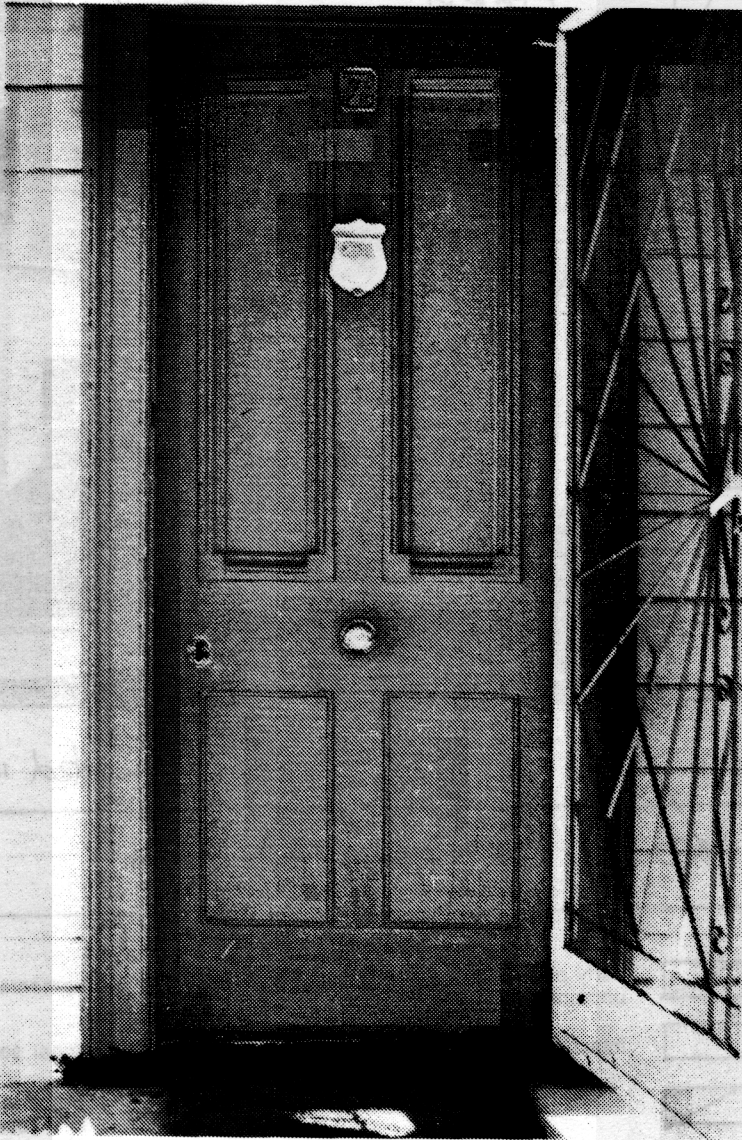
The complex of buildings at 7 Wellington Street which are significant are the front four rooms, the room adjoining the kitchen, and the kitchen and bathroom. They are a relatively intact example of typical housing development on a single site in Geelong from the mid-nineteenth century. The property has been housing members of the same family for about one hundred years. Fernleigh is significant for its Morewood and Rogers roof tiles (no other buildings have been located in Geelong West with these particular tiles), and tongue and groove weatherboards. It is of regional significance.

POLICY/RECOMMENDATIONS

National Estate Register, *GRPS*

REFERENCES

Resident, Mrs. Doherty.
Geelong West Rate Books, 1900-1, 1895-6.
Site inspection by L.Huddle and L.Honman.



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