

HISTORY : A late Edwardian house built after 1901, but probably about 1920. In 1901 there were no buildings between 491 Swan Street and the Yarra River.¹

VISUAL DESCRIPTION : A late Edwardian house with some elements transitional to the Bungalow style. The broad lower pitch gable roof faces between boundary parapets over three bays. It is red brick, with extensive plain render, with a Marseilles terra-cotta tile roof and finials. The broad, round attic window is below an upper gable, decorated with applied river pebbles and over a very broad render band. At left is a fine casement window under a skillion hood on brackets. Centre and right ground floor bays form a recessed porch, with a broad round arch pair with keystones. The entry has glazed leadlight door, fan and sidelights and an oculus. The verandah and path are paved with diamond pattern marble and there is a picket fence and hedge.

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS : Only about 15 examples of applied river pebbles are known, most are in the City of Heidelberg on bungalows. This is early and the only example in Richmond. There is no comparable house to this type in Richmond.

SIGNIFICANCE : A late Edwardian house with some elements transitional to the Bungalow style. The use of attached river pebbles is an early example of this relatively rare Bungalow characteristic. Of architectural significance at local level. Within the context of other Edwardian houses.

INTACTNESS : Excellent. The gate is a recent replica. The grey colour is not appropriate.

CONDITION & THREATS : Good. Picket bottoms need repair.

REFERENCES : 1. 1901 MMBW plan 1095.