City of Yarra Heritage Review: Building Citations

Building Type: Residences Construction Date: 1872	Building:	Houses	Significance:	В
	Address:	419-421 Punt Road, Richmond	Melway Map Ref:	2G F11
Architect: Unknown Builder: Unkn	Building Type:	Residences	Construction Date:	1872
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G[] F[x] P[]				
Existing Heritage Listings:				
Victorian Heritage Register	[]	Victorian Heritage Register	[]	
Register of the National Estate	[]	Register of the National Estate	[x]	
National Trust	[]	Heritage Overlay Controls	[x]	

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History

The Rate Books first list two 4 room wooden houses on this site in 1872. They were owned by Henry Willerson, an valued at £27 each. Willerson was the occupier of one, and Robert Williams, a teacher, the other. Willerson, who is listed variously as a storeman, a painter and a gentleman, owned the houses until at least 1885, when they were valued at £22 each.¹

Description

419-421 Punt Road, Richmond, comprises a pair of double-storey semi-detached 19th century houses. The side walls are of brick, whilst the facade is clad in weatherboard. Each dwelling has, at ground floor level, a front door and set of three timber-framed casement windows with highlights, added during the Edwardian period. The front door to No. 419 has side- and highlights, which appear to be original. At first floor level there are four double-hung multipaned sash windows, two with lower panelled doors to provide access to the balcony. There is a timber-framed verandah and balcony, each with different decorative cast iron lacework friezes; the balcony has a cast iron lacework balustrade.

The balcony roof is encompassed by the main transverse jerkin-head roof, which is penetrated by a single brick chimney with brick corbelling.

The front fence is not original.

Comparative Examples

175 Kent Street, Richmond

Significance

The pair of houses at 419-421 Punt Road, Richmond, is of local architectural significance. The pair is an unusual example of an Italianate brick terrace pair with a weatherboard facade. The house is substantially intact following the alterations made in the Edwardian period, and is a prominent feature in the streetscape.

¹ Richmond Rate Books, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1875(B), 1877, 1879, 1881, 1883, 1884, 1885. Sands & McDougall Directory, 1886, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1890, 1895, 1900, 1910, 1915, 1918, 1920, 1940.