

Building: "Elsie Leigh"
Address: 231 Gold Street



Allotment Reference: Section 7, Lot 6
National Estate Register: Recommended
Historic Buildings Council Register: Recommended
National Trust Register: -
Location within Precinct: Clifton Hill Western Residential
Photo Date August, 1988
Grantee: J. McConnell
Original Owner: Walter Scott
Present Owner: -

Original Use: Residence

Present Use: Residence

Construction Date: 1885-1886

Architect:

Builder:

Description: A richly decorated stuccoed villa in the terraced form with balustraded parapet, urns, pediment and anthemium decoration. The lower level main window is bayed and the cast iron lacework to the two storeyed verandah includes a "bellied" balustrade.

Condition: Good

Integrity: Good

History: In 1884 (RB), Walter Scott, warehouseman, owned a vacant site in Gold Street on which he commenced to build a brick house in 1885 (RB). It was completed in the following year. He remained there as owner/occupant, then a draper, in 1900 (RB).

Significance: "Elsie Leigh" is important at the State level as an opulent late Victorian villa facing the Darling Gardens.

Recommendations: Recommended for inclusion on the National Estate Register, Historic Buildings Council Register, and for planning scheme protection.

References: Rate Books

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