Dr Chambers house and surgery, 609-615 Lygon Street, Princes Hill

Heritage overlay: HO329 City of Yarra Property Number: 212350

What is significant?

The Dr Chambers house and surgery at 609-615 Lygon Street, Princes Hill, was created in 1926 for Dr. Roy William Chambers and has other historical associations with persons such as Dr. James Scott Paton and Dr. A Murray. The place has a high integrity to its creation date.

Fabric from the creation date at the Dr Chambers house and surgery is locally significant within the City of Yarra, compared to other similar places from a similar era.

How is it significant?

The Dr Chambers house and surgery at 609-615 Lygon Street, Princes Hill, is historically and architecturally significant to the locality of Princes Hill and the City of Yarra.

Why is it significant?

The Dr Chambers house and surgery is significant as a large well-preserved and distinctive attic-style English Domestic Revival style brick, tiled and stuccoed house and surgery set on a major corner site, and built for a local doctor by the renowned building firm, Dunlop Home Builders Ltd. It has unusual twin gabled upper level sleep-out porches (now enclosed), original fence, as well as strutted eaves and patterned brickwork.

The building has associations to past local community members for its longterm role in private medical care in the locality.

References:

Municipal rate books:

VPRS 5708/P0004 City of Melbourne / Victoria Ward Rate year/Rate no./Occupier/Owner/Description /NAV 1930/31; 669; Paton James Scott; Paton James Scott; 609-615 Lygon St, Brick House, 6 rms.; 100 1929/30; 669; Chambers Roy Wm ; Chambers Roy Wm; 609-615 Lygon St, Brick House, 6 rms.; 100 1928/29; 670; Chambers Roy Wm; O/O; 609-615 Lygon St, Brick House; 100 1926/27; 672; Chambers Roy Wm; O/O; Crn. Lygon St, Brick House; 100 1925; 672; Vacant; Wilson and Fraser; Crn. Lygon St. Land; 40 VPRS 8915/P/0001 City of Melbourne Valuer's Books/ Victoria Ward Rate year/Rate no./Occupier/Owner/Description /NAV 1930/31; 669; Vacant; Paton James Scott; 609-615 Lygon St. Brick House 6 rms. 65' 10 x 105: 100 to 95 1926/27; 672; Land; Wilson and Fraser to Chambers Roy Wm.; Cnr Lygon to 609-15 Lygon St. (£2,300) Land 65' 10 x 165 changed to 65' 10 x 105; 40 changed to 100

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Melbourne or Victorian directories:

West Side 1944/45; Murray A. A. physcn 1940; Murray A. A. physcn 1935; Paton Jas. S. Physcn. 1930; Paton Jas. S. Physcn. 1927; Chambers R. W. Physcn. 1926; No Listing 1925; No Listing

Other references:

VPRS 11202/P1, Unit 303 Date/Application/Cost/Description 26 February 1926; 8322; £2,300; Erection of brick dwelling 22 June 1926; H748; ; Erection of fence

VPRS 11200/P/0002 Unit 158 Application 8322 Brick Residence at Carlton for Dr. R.W. Chambers Dunlop Home Builders Itd. Date Received 26/2/1926 Heritage study BIF - integrity not stated