

Degenhardt's duplex, part, 27 Mcilwraith Street, Princes Hill

Heritage overlay: HO329

City of Yarra Property Number: 213875

What is significant?

The Degenhardt's duplex at 27 Mcilwraith Street, Princes Hill was created in 1936 for Olive Mabel Degenhardt and has historical associations with persons such as Laurence Robert Rees, and John W Cross. The place has a high integrity to its creation date.

Fabric from the creation date at the Degenhardt's duplex is locally significant within the City of Yarra, compared to other similar places from a similar era.

How is it significant?

The Degenhardt's duplex at 27 Mcilwraith Street, Princes Hill is architecturally significant to the locality of Princes Hill and the City of Yarra.

Why is it significant?

The Degenhardt's duplex is significant as a well-preserved Old English style house, with distinctive brickwork.

'This finely detailed broad gabled single storey building of two semi-detached houses is constructed of clinker bricks, terra cotta tiles, and timber windows ... It is an interwar building of high integrity The symmetrical façade is dominated by a single broad gable with clinker brick strap work and gable oculus vent with contrasting panels of smooth render. Secondary architectural features indicate its dual occupancy. These include the projecting brick party wall for the full length of the roof ridge and the side entries with small feature arched windows.' (Wight 2001)

References:

Municipal rate books:

VPRS 5708/P0004

City of Melbourne / Victoria Ward

Rate year/Rate no./Occupier/Owner/Description /NAV

1939/40; 5289; Rees Laurence Robert; Degenhardt Olive Mabel; 27 Mcilwraith St, Brick house, 5 rms.; 72

1938; Rate Book Missing;

VPRS 8915/P/0001

City of Melbourne Valuer's Books/ Victoria Ward

Rate year/Rate no./Occupier/Owner/Description /NAV

1938; 5178; Rees Laurence Robert; Degenhardt Olive Mabel; 27 Mcilwraith St, Brick house, 5 rms.; 72

1936/37; 5169; Fitzgerald Wm to 1) Rees Lawrence Robert, 2) Chapple Vincent ; Fitzgerald to Degenhardt Olive Mabel; 27/29 Mcilwraith St, 2 Brick Houses, 5 rms each; 72 each

1934/5; 5161; Fitzgerald Wm; O/O; 29 Mcilwraith St, wood house, 4 rms.; 2

Melbourne or Victorian directories:

West Side

1944/45; Cross Jno. W

1940; Rees Lwrnce. R

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1937; Gleedman Maurice
1936; No Listing
1935; No Listing

Other references:

VPRS 11202/P1, Unit 312

Date/Application/Cost/Description

25 February 1923; 12124; £1,420; Erection of Flats (29 McIlwraith St)

Wight 2001:

'This finely detailed broad gabled single storey building of two semi-detached houses is constructed of clinker bricks, terra cotta tiles, and timber windows and is at odds with the majority of houses in this precinct, being single storey Victorian terrace houses. It is an interwar building of high integrity and distinguished in its own right. The symmetrical façade is dominated by a single broad gable with clinker brick strap work and gable oculus vent with contrasting panels of smooth render. Secondary architectural features indicate its dual occupancy. These include the projecting brick party wall for the full length of the roof ridge and the side entries with small feature arched windows.'