

PLACE IDENTIFICATION FORM

ADDRESS

51 Liddiard Street

TYPE

- ☒ Single Residence ☐ Multiple Unit Res.
☐ Shop ☐ Outbuildings
☐ Office ☐ Industrial Building
☐ Landscape feature ☐ Public building
☐ View ☐ Other

TITLE

EXISTING DESIGNATION

HBR ☐ GBR ☐ AHC ☐ NT ☐ VAS ☐

STREETSCAPE LEVEL

1 ☐ 2 ☒ 3 ☐
 SIGNIFICANT ☐ SIGNIFICANT ☒
 STREET TREES KERB & GUTTERS

GRADING

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐
 KEYNOTE BUILDING ☐

RECOMMENDED FOR

HBR/GBR ☐ AHC ☒ URBAN CONSERVATION AREA ☐
 VAS ☐ PLANNING SCHEME PROTECTION ☒
 CULTURAL LANDSCAPE ☐ OTHER ☐

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THEME

- ☐ Early Settlement
☐ Mansions
☐ Victorian Garden Suburb
☐ Municipal dev.
☒ 1870s growth
☐ Garden villas
☐ Working enclaves
☐ Commercial Centres
☐ Edwardian Prosperity
☐ Interwar Housing
☐ Flats and Offices

CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

Date c1879-1880.

Architect

Builder

Elements



- ☐ Contributing garden ☐ Original or early hard landscape layout
☐ Landmark tree ☐ Original or early fence

NOTABLE FEATURES/SIGNIFICANCE

See attached

INTEGRITY Good ☐
 Fair ☐
 Poor ☐

CONDITION Good ☐
 Fair ☐
 Poor ☐

CROSS REFERENCED INFORMATION

Associated significant garden ☐

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History

Henry Goss, plasterer, made his home here during the 1880s. Goss was listed first in 1880-81 as the occupier of a house in Liddiard Street (NAV 50 pounds), owned by Ed. F. Sainsbury.⁵ By 1881-82, Goss was the owner.⁶ Later, in 1886, when Goss was living still at No. 51, he owned a new house adjacent in Liddiard Street.⁷

Description

The ground floor is not visible. The upper floor indicates a two-storeyed house of simple rectangular form, rendered, and with a simple hipped slate roof. (The ridge has later terracotta capping). The ground floor incorporates a verandah across the full width of the building. The windows are simple double hung, without embellishment to the render.

The house is set well back from the road.

Assessment

Liddiard Street is an early subdivision in Hawthorn, undertaken in 1871 by W.H. Liddiard, with 50 residential allotments. Its development occurs over a long period which is apparent from the variety of building styles, setbacks and the generally narrow allotment sizes. Several of the surviving buildings are from the 1870s, built before the boom of the 1880s and the ordered garden suburb which then developed. In reflection of this the houses have either a row house forward looking quality or a country feeling.

This building illustrates the rural character of development for smaller houses up to the 1880s boom. It is one of few houses which are not mansions surviving in Hawthorn from the 1870s. Requires further inspection to determine the extent of alteration and internal intactness to the 1870s date.

Significance

Metropolitan

1. Architecturally and historically significant as one of very few non mansion houses to survive in Hawthorn from the 1870s.
2. Historically significant in its illustration of the variety of development in Liddiard Street and the range of socioeconomic groups accommodated in the developing suburb.

⁵. Hawthorn RB 1880-81 No. 1180.

⁶. Ibid. 1881-82. No. 1302.

⁷. Ibid. 1886-87 Nos. 2128, 2129.