

Greeves Street Complex, 1-29, 2-30 Greeves St and, Fitzroy, VIC, Australia

Photographs:



List: Register of the National Estate

Class: Historic

Legal Status: [Registered](#) (21/03/1978)

Place ID: 4913

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Statement of Significance:

Unique example of nineteenth century speculative development. This uniqueness lies in a superb composition with the rows of single storey houses on each side of the street punctuated at intersections by two storey structures. A row of similar houses at right angles closes the street vista at one end. Result is closed, ordered and tranquil precinct that contrasts remarkably with surrounding urban area. Complex has notable associations with original speculators D Mahoney and A Lowe.

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Official Values: Not Available

Description:

Greeves Street precinct comprises a group of thirty three single storey brick terrace homes with galleries to street and six austere two storey rendered brick townhouses. They were mostly erected on a speculative basis by two developers: David Mahoney, who developed Greeves Street premises from 1870-1874 (architect A Kursteiner) and Arthur Lowe, a builder, who constructed 1-13 Mahoney Street in 1885-6. The remainder (numbers 15-25 Mahoney Street) were erected c1885.

History: Not Available

Condition and Integrity:

The complex is generally intact, however there are some minor alterations: facades have been painted, fences replaced, verandah friezes and brackets removed etc. Parapets have been added to numbers 310 and 312 Fitzroy Street.

Location:

1-30 Greeves Street (all numbers); 1-17 Mahoney Street (odd numbers only)4 and 14 Mahoney Street; 310,311,312,313 Fitzroy Street, Fitzroy.

Bibliography:

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