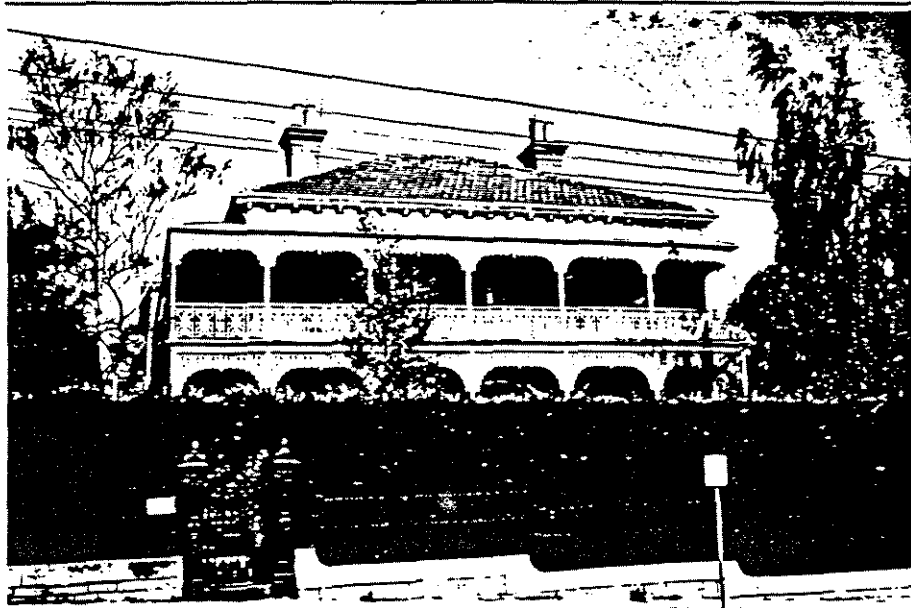


Original Use: Residence
Date of Construction: 1889¹
Architect: Unknown

DESIGNATION B
CITATION NO.22



HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION

Documentary evidence records that Elizabeth Hawkey was the original occupier of this two-storey mansion². Given an initial N.A.V. of 220³, the house was recorded as having sixteen rooms in 1891⁴ while by the turn of the century, the property was named 'Lancewood'⁵.

The large two storeyed house is one of a number of similar mansions that remain intact in Kew. Its walls are rendered and it has a very fine verandah that extends around two facades. The verandah is decorated with cast iron in a fern leaf pattern and while typical of the period, is distinctive in its state of intactness and the extent of the application. The roof has been re-clad in terracotta tiles, however the rendered chimneys remain intact, as does the cast iron fence.

The local significance of this building has been recognised by the consultant, who states in its citation:

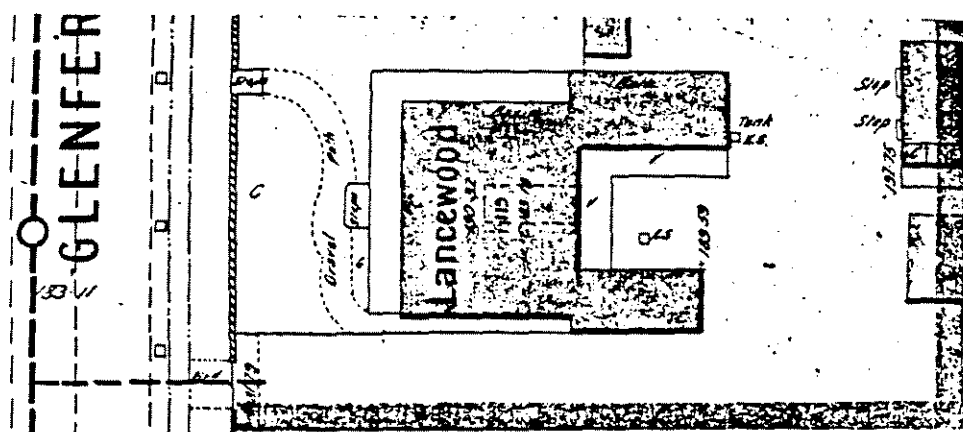
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The description of the building notes:

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Similar examples are also to be found dotted throughout Prahran, Malvern and St Kilda, and there is nothing yet known about this house (ie historic or architectural associations) to suggest that it is deserving of anything more than a B classification, denoting local significance.

This building, typical in style and detailing for its period, is recommended for a B grading and protection through local controls.



'Lancewood', 1894 (MMBW Plan No.1574)

SIGNIFICANCE

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HERITAGE LISTINGS

HBR: Not Recommended for inclusion on the register

GBR: N/A

RNE: Recommended for inclusion on the register.

National Trust: Not currently listed.

¹ City of Kew, Rate Books, 1889

² City of Kew, Rate Books, loc.cit.

³ *ibid.*

⁴ *ibid.*, 1891

⁵ M.M.B.W., 'Plan of Kew - 1574', Scale: 40 feet to 1 inch May 1903