



81 McKillop Street

History

The residence at 81 McKillop Street was built in 1885. The rate books list Elijah Booly as the initial owner of this four bedroom weatherboard dwelling with pantry and bath. By 1915 Alice Maud Rawson was listed as the owner occupier and the house remained in the hands of the Rawson family up until the Second World War. Since this date a variety of owners and occupants are listed in the rate books for this property.

Description

81 McKillop Street is a symmetrical double fronted Late Victorian residence with a reasonably high degree of integrity. The timber facade with beaded boards features double hung sash windows with wide Victorian architraves, a four panel timber door with narrow side lights and a high light, and a convex verandah. Slender round iron columns with Classical capitals and an iron frieze with brackets are notable original verandah details. The corrugated iron hip roof has been recently reclad. The verandah floor is concrete, however it is likely that it was originally timber. Exposed eaves brackets decorate the fascia. The front palisade fence complements the Victorian style of the residence as does the garden setting.

Significance

81 McKillop Street is a typical and representative example of Late Victorian housing in the Geelong area. The house is substantially intact, retaining its characteristic form, siting and many original features, including the iron palisade fence. The property is of local significance.