Statement of Significance: Former Elgin Hall Guest House, 21 Elgin Avenue, Armadale, October 2023

Heritage Place: Former Elgin Hall Guest House, Armadale PS ref no: HO36



(Source: Extent Heritage Pty Ltd, 2021)

What is significant?

The property at 21 Elgin Avenue, Armadale (otherwise known as Former Elgin Hall Guest House) is significant. Specifically, the form, scale, setback and detailing of the substantial 1899-1900 Victorian Italianate mansion is locally significant. The front fence, landscaping and later alterations and additions to the properties are not significant.

How is it significant?

Former Elgin Hall Guest House is of local historical and aesthetic significance to the City of Stonnington.

Why is it significant?

Former Elgin Hall Guest House is of historical significance in demonstrating the development of mansions on estates in the suburb of Armadale by Melbourne's wealthiest citizens during the late 19th and early 20th century, prior to the wider subdivision of the late Victorian estates. (Criterion A)

Former Elgin Hall Guest House has strong aesthetic significance as a highly intact and fine example of a grand Italianate boom-era mansion set on a substantial portion of land. Key aesthetic qualities include the scale of the building, the deep setback from the street, the wraparound wrought iron verandah, projecting bays, hipped roof and decorative parapet complete with urns and balustrading. (Criterion E)

Primary source

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