Location:
221B Whitehall Street YARRAVILLE, Maribyrnong City

Heritage Status / Level of Significance:
Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Number: HO180
Listing Authority: Maribyrnong City

Statement of Significance:
Dee cottage is of historical and architectural significance to the City of Maribyrnong as a relatively intact early residence, used as a company house by the nearby Cuming Smith & Co. works and built in association with major industrial development and closely related historically to the local industries which gave it its purpose. (Criteria B2 & D2) Distinctive architectural form of the period also relatively intact and well preserved. (Criterion F1) The site has significant historical associations as a former residence of James Cuming, founder and principal of Cuming Smith fertiliser works and one of Footscray's most prominent citizens. (Criterion H1)

Australian Heritage Commission (AHC) criteria

The Australian Heritage Commission criteria consist of a set of eight criteria which cover social, aesthetic, scientific, and historic values. Each criterion has sub-criteria written specifically for cultural or natural values. The relevant criteria are:

B.2 rarity
D.2 good example of type
H.1 association with important person or group
F.1 design or technological achievement

Description

Double fronted Italianate cottage with arched windows either side of the central entrance doorway. Constructed in Flemish bond brickwork and rendered mouldings. The hipped roof is clad in slate with some remaining ogee pattern gutters. Originally with a veranda across the front, but now stripped of some detail.

In fair condition, brickwork has been painted and some rear sections are lacking maintenance.

Generally intact although parts of the roof have been reclad and the verandah altered.

One of two residences remaining in the vicinity of the Yarraville industrial complexes.

Thematic context
Australian Principal Theme Building settlements, towns and cities
PAHT Subtheme: Making suburbs
Local Theme Employers’ Housing

Creation date(s): 1880
Heritage Significance city
Map (Melway) 42 C9
Boundary description The house and yard as delineated by the present fenced block.
Local Government Area: City of Maribyrnong
Ownership Type Private

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