

Victorian Heritage Database Report  
**DENTAL SURGERY**

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**Location:**  
129 SYDNEY ROAD,, COBURG VIC 3058 - Property No 38948

**Heritage Status / Level of Significance:**  
Included in Heritage Overlay

**Heritage Overlay Number:** HO374  
**Listing Authority:** Merri-bek City

**Statement of Significance:**  
What is significant?

The Dental Surgery at 127-129 Sydney Road, Coburg

How is it significant?  
The Dental Surgery at 127-129 Sydney Road, Coburg is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Moreland.

Why is it significant?  
Historically, for its continuous use as a dental surgery over 80 years and its strong associations with the locally important French family who

conducted their dental practice here from 1922 to 1989. (AHC Criterion H.1)

Aesthetically, as a locally rare, although altered, example of a commercial building and residence with unusual Federation detailing. It is complemented by a mature Liquidamber, which indicates the original extent of the garden, which was established by the French family. (AHC Criterion E.1)

## Description

The Dental Surgery is an unusual two storey building with Federation detailing more commonly used in domestic or church architecture. The original building is a two storey building with a terracotta tiled gabled roof and a grouped red brick chimneys with four(?) terracotta chimney pots.

The building is unusual in that the ground floor is clad in painted weatherboard whilst the upper floor is clad entirely in a rectangular grid of painted half timber strapwork with painted stucco infill. The gables ends are painted stucco. Windows are tripartite casements with highlights; the ground floor windows have painted corrugated iron awnings - over a box window to the Sydney Road elevation. Windows are placed irregularly on both floors and both street elevations.

There is a clinker(?) brick single storey addition to the Sydney Road ground floor elevation, which has a flat terrace roof with a wrought iron balustrade. The terrace is entered via a door to the first floor. At the rear is a single storey weatherboard addition with a gabled terracotta tiled roof.

The building is complemented by a mature Liquidamber tree, on part of the former garden for the residence.

Good

Minor Modifications

Heritage Study / Consultant	Moreland - Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Moreland - City of Coburg Heritage Conservation & Streetscape Study, Timothy Hubbard Pty Ltd , 1991
Construction Date Range	- 1906
Architect / Designer	
Municipality	MERRI-BEK CITY
Other names	
Hermes number	56880
Property number	38948

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