


Ashfield Heritage Study Review of Areas Zoned 2b & 2c

Name of Item Former Villa Other Names		Reference No 10																									
Address 10 Gower Street Locality Summer Hill Postcode 2130		Land Title Lot 9 Sec 3 DP 1025																									
Item Type Building Group Name		Zoning 2c																									
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Statement of Significance This is a remnant of the buildings which were once prominent along this street. It is related to Nos 14 and 16 Gower Street in style and type. Although this building has lost a considerable amount of its original detailing, it still has sufficient to demonstrate its part in the history of the locality. With appropriate heritage advice, the changes to this building could be reversed. This building may have an association with a significant nineteenth century politician.																											
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Current Use

Reference No

Residential

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Heritage Listing

Themes: Local

Subdivision & consolidation

Sub themes: local

Themes: State

Housing

History of the Item

This land was transferred to James Cameron, an accountant in 1884. He mortgaged the land in December 1884, probably to build this house. He was first listed as living here in the 1886 Sands Directory. This land was later transferred to Alethea Huoy, wife of Beresford Huoy of Petersham, gentleman, in 1888. The Huoy family retained this land until 1914. The Huoys let the house. In 1889, a building appeared in the Sands Directory next door to “Minerva”, which was the name by which the building at No 8 Gower Street was known. This building which was listed in 1889 was called “Lindo” and it was occupied by John Stewart, MLC, a notable politician of that era. This may be the building now known as No 10 Gower Street.

Physical Description

Two storey double fronted stuccoed villa of Victorian Italianate style. The roof is now clad with Marseilles terra cotta tiles. There is a verandah and balcony at the front, both of which have lost their original architectural details. A two storey faceted bay projects from the main gable. This bay retains much of its original detail, including moulding courses. Each floor in this bay has an arched window with plaster moulded heads and sills. On each side of these central windows there are narrower arched windows. These windows are all double hung sashes. The front fence is a more recent addition.

Information Sources

C T 734 f 150; C T 887 f 194; Sands, Directories, 1884-92; Australian Dictionary of Biography, v. 6, pp. 198-9

Additional Images

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