

Heritage Citation



14 Hewitt Street, Wilston

Key details

Also known as	Lanark
Addresses	At 14 Hewitt Street, Wilston, Queensland 4051
Type of place	House
Period	Federation 1890-1914
Style	Queenslander
Lot plan	L1_RP19887
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 1 January 2004 Date of Citation — August 2003
Construction	Roof: Corrugated iron; Walls: Timber
Criterion for listing	(A) Historical; (E) Aesthetic

Built circa 1899 for Ada and Claude Fuller, this house was one of the earliest residences in Hewitt Street and demonstrates the development of Wilston as a middle class suburb at the turn of the nineteenth century. This fine house is a good example of its type and demonstrates many of the features of late nineteenth century ornate house construction.

History

Historical evidence indicates that this elegant residence was constructed around 1899-1900 for Ada Florence Fuller and her husband Arthur Claude Fuller.

Ada Fuller purchased the block of land in Hewitt Street measuring 2 roods and 8 perches in May 1899. In December of the same year, she mortgaged the land to Patrick Meaney for ?150 and further advances. This may have financed the construction of the house. A second mortgage was placed on the property in 1902 for another ?150.

The house was one of the earliest to be built in Hewitt Street. It was constructed at around the same time as *Rayham*, the home of barrister Austin Graham, situated on the opposite side of Hewitt Street. *Rayham* was later moved a short distance to Harle Street overlooking the railway line. The house at 11 Hewitt Street is believed to be the former servants' quarters of Graham's house. The railway from Mayne to Enoggera through Wilston opened in 1899, encouraging the area to develop as a residential suburb within easy reach of the city via train. In 1910, the area to the east of Hewitt Street was subdivided for sale as the Harle Estate. The Wilston School of

Arts building was once situated next to the house on the corner of Katherine Street, but has since been demolished. The site is now a Brisbane City Council Park.

The Fullers resided in Hewitt Street until 1903 when the property was sold to Annie McLean, the wife of David McLean. The house was sold again in 1916 to a widow, Elizabeth McPhie. A 1935 BCC detail plan shows the name of the house as *Lanark*. The property remained in the McPhie family until 2000.

Statement of significance

Relevant assessment criteria

This is a place of local heritage significance and meets one or more of the local heritage criteria under the Heritage planning scheme policy of the *Brisbane City Plan 2014*. It is significant because:

Historical

CRITERION A

The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the city's or local area's history

for the evidence it provides of the development of Wilston as a residential suburb from the turn of the nineteenth century.

Aesthetic

CRITERION E

The place is important because of its aesthetic significance

as an elegant Federation style residence with decorative features such as the pediment over the front stairs, cast iron balustrading and a large bay window.

References

- 1. Brisbane City Council Detail Plans
- 2. John Oxley Library Estate Map Collection
- 3. Queensland Certificates of Title

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Note: This citation has been prepared on the basis of evidence available at the time including an external examination of the building. The statement of significance is a summary of the most culturally important aspects of the property based on the available evidence, and may be re-assessed if further information becomes available. The purpose of this citation is to provide an informed evaluation for heritage registration and information. This does not negate the necessity for a thorough conservation study by a qualified practitioner, before any action is taken which may affect its heritage significance.

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