

Heritage Citation

Tressylian

Key details

Addresses	At 12 Armagh Street, Clayfield, Queensland 4011
Type of place	House
Period	Federation 1890-1914
Style	Queen Anne
Lot plan	L2_RP40133
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 1 January 2005 Date of Citation — August 2015
Construction	Roof: Corrugated iron; Walls: Timber
Criterion for listing	(A) Historical; (E) Aesthetic

This stately home was constructed in 1901 for Richard Somerset Petty. Originally set on a large three rood parcel of land, the house reflected the Petty family's business success as partners in one of Brisbane's foremost draperies, Grimes and Petty. When the bubonic plague swept through Queensland in the very early years of the twentieth century, Richard Petty became one of its victims in 1903. The property, known as 'Tressylian', was then transferred to William Douglas Grimes and became a rental property for several years. The residence is a fine representation of Clayfield's development in the early twentieth century as a desirable address.

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 continuing development of Clayfield at the turn of the century as a desirable address for Brisbane's upper middle classes who built many fine homes set in large grounds.

Aesthetic

CRITERION E

The place is important because of its aesthetic significance

significance as a highly attractive and substantial Federation era house in Clayfield.

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