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House, 46 Vivian Street

c.1910

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**Themes in development:** cultural and social.

**Cultural heritage values:** architectural and townscape values.

**Not registered.**

**Owner**  
M E Thomas

**Title**  
Pt Sec 709  
ID 015297

**Use**  
Dwelling

### **Description**

The house at 46 Vivian Street is a single storey double bay villa. It has two prominent symmetrical gables coming forward from the main part of the house with the central entrance door squeezed between. Each gable has a faceted bay window with three single-pane double-hung windows, and a modest parapet above; the gables are finished with cut-out fretwork sunbursts and stubby finials. The cladding is rusticated weatherboarding with boxed corners, and the roof is sheathed in corrugated iron. The house is a good example of the bay villa style of domestic architecture.

### **History**

The date of construction of the house is not known, although judging from its style alone, it is likely to be c.1910. The exterior is authentic in its form, with a modern picket fence.

### **Architect**

The architect is not known.

### **Statement of Significance**

This building has architectural interest for its authenticity as an example of the bay villa style of domestic architecture, popular in New Zealand from the 1890s. It is part of, and contributes to, the character of an area of historic and townscape importance.

### **Sources**

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