

BUILDING TITLE: **BUILDING ADDRESS:** 14 Skene St
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: A || B || C |X| D || E || **BUILDING TYPE:** detached house
DESIGNATION: HBR Reg No File # AHC File # NT File # Class || Rec ||
CONSERVATION AREA: Church Hill **LEVEL OF STREETScape SIGNIFICANCE:** 1 || 2 |X| 3 ||
STYLE: interwar bungalow (two storey)

CONSTRUCTION DATE & ALTERATIONS:

1. 1938 or earlier
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- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

Sources:

1. HSA DP No. 463, 8 February 1938

MATERIALS:

Roof: terra cotta tiles
Walls: weatherboard
Dressings: timber
Plinth: slated boards
Windows: timber double hung sash
Paving: concrete
Other: leadlighting in windows

SURVEY DATE: 8/ 3/91 **NEG FILE:** 3/3 **REPORTER:** tfh

INTEGRITY: E |X| G || F || P || **NOTABLE FEATURES:** excellent example of the two storey bungalow and remarkably intact with its period garden.

CONDITION: E |X| G || F || P ||

SIGNIFICANCE: The home of Hamilton's most prolific builder this is significant as a rare example of a two storey bungalow with a period garden.

ALTERATIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

Appropriate:	Rec	Inappropriate:	Rec
enclosure of side porch		none apparent	

O=reinstate original design S=reinstate sympathetic alternative R=remove RAM=remove by approved method

SIGNIFICANT OWNERS/TENANTS:	ARCHITECTS/BUILDERS:	TITLE:
land to F Wragg	Reg Williams, builder	Sec 17B C A 5 pt 6
	E J & S J Rowland	
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Residence
14 Skene Street

This 1930s house has local significance for its architecture as a two-storey interwar bungalow with a period garden and for its associations with the local builder, Reginald Williams, who constructed a number of Hamilton buildings including Scullions at 196 Gray Street, Fleetwood at 21 Gray Street, 355 Gray Street, and about five other houses in Skene Street (Nos.2, 4, 5, 12 & 16). ⁽ⁱ⁾ The most directly comparable house is Jandou at 11 Gray Street. The house at 14 Skene Street, which was most probably built by Williams' and was his own home, was completed by 1938. ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ It was owned in the 1960s by its present owner, Dr E J Rowland. ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾ It remains significantly intact and in excellent condition.

A number of features survive from the original garden. The most noteworthy are the *Fraxinus oxycarpa* 'Raywood', Claret Ash, on the front lawn which is impressive in size and form and the *Cupressus macrocarpa* 'Aurea', Golden Monterey Cypress, on the front fence which is maintained to a low form.

ASSOCIATED HISTORIC THEMES

Industry: Building
Health: Doctors

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS

Scullions, 196 Gray Street et al.
Jandou, 11 Gray Street
355 Gray Street
Nos. 2, 4, 5, 12 & 16 Skene Street
Fleetwood, 21 Gray Street

REFERENCES

Conversation with Mrs Christie, 16 May 1991.
HSA DP No. 463, dated 8 February 1938.

FOOTNOTES

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- ⁱ Conversation with Mrs Christie, Williams' daughter, 16 May 1991.
ⁱⁱ HSA DP No. 463, dated 8 February 1938.
ⁱⁱⁱ Ibid., sketch of drainage dated 28 November 1966.