
12 Tara Avenue



Review of B Graded Buildings
in Kew, Camberwell &
Hawthorn

Location

12 Tara Avenue KEW, Boroondara City

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO348

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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12 Tara Avenue, Kew is of local historical and architectural significance as a good and externally relatively intact example of a substantial two-storey residence of the late interwar period designed in the Old English mode, which incorporates a range of forms and detailing common to the style. The house uses materials imposingly but with restraint and is consistent and straightforward in its fenestration and expression.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Boroondara - Review of B Graded Buildings in Kew, Camberwell and Hawthorn, Lovell Chen Architects & Heritage Consultants, 2006; Boroondara - City of Kew Urban Conservation Study, Pru Sanderson Design Pty Ltd, 1988; |
| Construction dates | 1938, |
| Hermes Number | 14667 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

12 Tara Avenue, Kew is a double-storey interwar house of clinker brick construction with Old English overtones. The transverse gabled roof is clad with terracotta shingles and engaged chimneys have corbelled tops. The triple-fronted facade generally displays clinker brickwork, however some first floor areas have a rendered finish, delineated by a string course of terracotta tile. The breakfronted facade comprises a broad central bay which contains a recessed porch accessed via a single archway dressed with slate surrounds and secured by a wrought iron gate. A projecting gabled bay to the south accommodates the original garage which is accessed via a pair of timber folding doors with wrought iron hardware. Fenestration is irregular and generally comprises bays of timber-framed double-hung sashes with diaper leadlight. Alterations include the construction of a small ground floor sunroom towards the north-east rear corner of the house in the 1960s and a more extensive rear addition in the 1980s, both of which are largely obscured from the street.

The non-original front fence comprises low palisade panels above a possibly earlier rock wall and the driveway and garden paths are lined with stone crazy paving. The front garden contains a mature oak species and garden beds defined by rock edging.

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