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# Oswin Street Precinct, Kew

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## Location

KEW EAST, BOROONDARA CITY

## Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO157

## Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

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## Statement of Significance

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HO157 Oswin Street Precinct, Kew

The Oswin Street Precinct, Kew, is an area of heritage significance for the following reasons:

-The area is one of the more intact concentrations of 1920s and 1930s housing in Melbourne. It compares directly with the 'Urquhart Estate' (located within the Leslie Street Precinct, Hawthorn HO164), but differs in being composed largely of State Bank and Burridge Leith designs. The State Bank housing scheme played an important role in the development of the north-eastern part of Kew prior to WWII. Other State Bank concentrations (Mont Albert and Wandsworth Roads, Surrey Hills for example) have been eroded by redevelopment in recent years.

- The area is marked by a number of highly skilled and pioneering suburban house designs, including several prototypes for the Australian post-war suburban vernacular.

-The area is marked by a high concentration of original fences and outbuildings, and by its mature gardens. It retains the lightly treed character of pre-war Melbourne suburban landscapes when most have become more heavily treed.

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