Harelands



City of Kew Urban Conservation Study 1988



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Location

5 Willsmere Road KEW, Boroondara City

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO139

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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5 Willsmere Road is of significance as an intact and comprehensive example of the hipped form of the Federation house executed by the leading architectural firm of Ussher and Kemp, successfully designed to compliment one of the most prominent building sites in Kew.

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Study/Consultant Ltd, 1988;

Architect/Designer Ussher & Designer & Design

Other Names Harelands,

Hermes Number 22313

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The original owner of this two-storey brick house was W.H.Davies [3]. The building stands on a priminent tongue of land and was designed by Ussher and Kemp to take advantage of the exposed position. Built in the form that Tibbits has identified as their 'hipped genre' [4], the second storey of the house is enveloped in the sweep of the terracotta tiled hip roof, and piercing out from it are large dormer units, tall corbelled brick chimneys and a squat octagonal turret. At ground floor level, the house has a complex interplay of bay windows, a small porch, and verandahs decorated with turned timber. It remains substantially intact and is one of the key works of the Ussher and Kemp partnership, in this hipped style.

References --

1 Tibbits, G., 'The So-Called Melbourne Domestic Queen Anne', in Historic Environment, Vo12,

No.2, 1982, p.30

2 ibid.

3 ibid.

4 ibid.

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