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# Lindum



'Lindum', 315 Barkers Road  
KEW

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## Location

315 Barkers Road KEW, BOROONDARA CITY

## Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

## Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO209

## Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

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## Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The nine-roomed house at 315 Barkers Road, situated on land subdivided in 1903 from a 14-acre allotment owned by solicitor William Henry Wrixon, is significant. The house, built in a Queen Anne Style between 1903 and 1908, originally occupied by Barbara Ross Eady, and named Lindum is significant.

How is it significant?

The house at 315 Barkers Road is of local aesthetic and architectural significance to the City of Boroondara.

Why is it significant?

315 Barkers Road is a fine example of the Queen Anne style that is characterised by a complex, asymmetrical building form set below a steeply pitched hipped roof. 315 Barkers Road is a notable example of the Queen Anne style with a formal or symmetrical frontage but also exuding a highly picturesque and lively overall composition. This more formal approach is demonstrated through a number of houses in Boroondara, including those by noted architect Christopher Cowper. (Criterion D)

315 Barkers Road is of aesthetic significance for its characteristic features including its highly picturesque and cascading hipped roof form with dormer windows and a terra cotta tiled roof. The frontage is notable for its ox-bow arched parapet and central arched entrance between steeply pitched gable ends over bow windows. The west elevation is notable for its faceted verandah that once overlooked garden but is now curtailed in this regard by the limitations of a smaller site. The exceptionally tall, slender and well modelled chimneys complement the overall composition and are significant features in themselves. The combination of materials is highly characteristic of the style and, although now overpainted, the combination of rough cast render, timber shingles, brickwork and leaded glass to the main windows all contribute to the detail of this house.

The Canary Island palm *Phoenix Canariensis* is a tall and well formed specimen that adds to the garden setting. (Criterion E)

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## Physical Description 1

The house at 315 Barkers Road is on an allotment with large garden to the front and rear. To the west side there is a small setback from the side boundary and a driveway setback to the east. The large house currently occupies the centre of the site, and the front garden is dominated by several mature trees including a Canary Island palm *Phoenix canariensis*, two elm trees and a Blue Atlas Cedar.

The house is designed in the Queen Anne style and has a highly picturesque, yet formal composition. Originally designed to have both formal and garden frontages, it features a symmetrical front elevation with recessed entry set between a pair of projecting gables. The steeply pitched roof accommodates dormer windows to the south and east. The tiled terra-cotta roof is complex in form with a series of cascading hip roofs that resolve at the rear into a single wide hip across the whole width of the building. The front features matching gable ends with roughcast render and vertical timber strapping flanking an arched porch with ox-bow arched brick and roughcast parapet.

The roof extends into a faceted verandah to the west, although now constrained in its outlook. The verandah has plain posts and the same roughcast and timber detail to its spandrels. The exceptionally tall and slender chimneys have corbelled brickwork to their tops. Each of the front bow windows of four panes has decorative shingled cladding above with both square cut and bevelled corners shingles. Apart from the painting of the brickwork the house has a high degree of integrity and no visible external additions.

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