
21 Balwyn Road



Balwyn Road Residential
Heritage Study Review 2006

Location

21 Balwyn Road CANTERBURY, Boroondara City

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO264

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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Significance of Individual Property

One of several Interwar houses which represent the third major phase of construction in the precinct. The distinctive Tudor Revival style house was designed by the architects, R M & M H King, and is largely intact.

HO264 Balwyn Road Residential Precinct, Canterbury

Reference - *Balwyn Road Residential Precinct, Canterbury: Stage 2 Heritage Precinct Review* (August 2006)

The Balwyn Road Residential Precinct is of historic significance because the pattern of development reflects that of Boroondara generally. In much of Boroondara one or two periods might be represented in any one precinct, however in the Balwyn Road Residential Precinct all periods are nearly equally represented. As such, the precinct is a microcosm of the broad sweep of development across the City. The relative consistency in the allotment width and/or size across the different phases of development serves to unify the precinct.

There are historical associations with several eminent families (Danks, Goldings, Marfleets, McAlpins, etc). Of further interest is the profile that some residents have had at a broader level (either State, national or international) and the manifold connections between various residents within the precinct and the City of Boroondara.

The Balwyn Road Residential Precinct is of aesthetic significance for the many high quality buildings, some of which are of individual significance at the broader level, and others that are generally good examples of their architectural style. The buildings are remarkably intact to their period of construction and have been well maintained. There has been limited change of building stock. A high proportion of the buildings have been architect designed. Although there are a range of styles evident, there is a consistency in scale and setbacks.

The extensive and well maintained landscaping both to the street (with trees and wide reservations) and the private gardens provides a level of cohesion. One of the gardens (no. 17) is a rare example of a late nineteenth century intact suburban garden. In addition, some of the early road and paving infrastructure is intact.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Boroondara - Balwyn Road Residential Heritage Study Review, RBA Architects & Conservation Consultants, 2006; Boroondara - Camberwell Conservation Study, Graeme Butler, 1991; |
| Architect/Designer | King, RM & MH, |
| Other Names | Narooma, |
| Hermes Number | 14501 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

This part single and two storey house has been designed in the Tudor Revival style. The rendered walls are painted white and are set on a face brick base. The hip and gable roof is clad in glazed tiles and there is decorative timber strapping to the upper part of the gable end. The house is distinguished by the unusual treatment of the ground floor window opening in the gable end which is recessed and defined by varying sized quoining. The planter box in front has similar treatment. The form of the simple timber brackets to the front porch is echoed in the small faceted window frames in the wall immediately behind.

The existing timber-framed car port is of similar style to the house as is the low timber fence to the front boundary.

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