
Allathorn



Review of B Graded Buildings
in Kew, Camberwell &
Hawthorn

Location

83 Pakington Street KEW, Boroondara City

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO331

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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The house at 83 Pakington Street is of local historical and architectural significance as a good and relatively externally intact example of a Federation style villa with strong Queen Anne overtones. It represents an attic-storey type that was common in Kew and other parts of Boroondara in the middle and later Federation period and incorporates an extensive and diverse repertoire of decorative features.

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;
Other Names	Allathorn,
Hermes Number	14649
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The house at 83 Pakington Street, Kew, is an attic-storey double-fronted Federation Queen Anne villa of timber construction. Its complex gabled roof is clad with corrugated galvanised steel and features timber horn finials, flying bracketed gables with half timbered ends and roughcast infill and red face brick chimneys with roughcast rendered bands and non-original terracotta pots. The roofscape is punctuated by a centrally placed attic dormer - possibly originally an open balcony - which is clad with scalloped weatherboards and features turned timber posts with timber fretwork frieze and timber-framed window sashes.

The principal elevations display a roughcast rendered wall finish flanked by a scalloped weatherboard dado and frieze. The main eastern facade to Pakington Street comprises two distinct sections, the formal and symmetrically arranged entrance flanked by a pair of projecting bays, and an adjoining bay at the north-east corner of the house. This provides for a secondary entrance screened by a side-facing verandah which terminates in a projecting gable-ended bay on the northern elevation. The main eastern entrance comprises a glazed panelled timber door with ornate matching surrounds and is centrally located beneath a deep recessed porch. The porch is finished with timber fretwork set above a carved timber beam. The flanking bays each contain a rectangular window bay with timber-framed casement sashes which are screened by bracketed bullnose corrugated galvanised steel canopies.

The timber fretwork to the main (eastern) entry is repeated in the original side porch at the north-east corner of the house and has also been reproduced in the detailing of a non-original entrance porch situated further west on the north elevation (the latter appears to date from 1988).[i]

Alterations approved in 1984 involved the construction of a narrow atrium-style window-wall out from the southern side elevation, which appears to have been further extended around 1988, and rear additions. [ii] None of these works have impacted substantially on the presentation of the house as viewed from the street.

The present carport appears to date from around 1994.[iii] The timber picket front fence and gates have been constructed since 1988. The garden contains some mature trees amongst an otherwise contemporary landscape.

[i] Details sourced from City of Kew Building Index, #3970, dated 18 October 1988.

[ii] Details sourced from City of Kew Building Index, # 1046, dated 11 May 1984, and #3970, dated 18 October 1988.

[iii] Details sourced from the City of Kew Building Index, #1171, dated 13 September 1994.

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