
931 Toorak Road



Review of B Graded Buildings
in Kew, Camberwell &
Hawthorn

Location

931 Toorak Road CAMBERWELL, Boroondara City

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO405

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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931 Toorak Road is of local historical and architectural significance. Architecturally, it is of significance as an intact and well-preserved example of a two-storey attic house in a popular Melbourne form following the US Bungalow pattern championed by Katherine Budd and Gustav Stickley. It is demonstrative of the influence of Eastern US house design on Bungalow forms in Melbourne in the 1920s, alongside better-known influences from California. The house retains its setting, including original fence and entry pergola, and is set in a dense garden.

Though constructed for the original owner, Thomas Bee, between 1930 and 1950, the house is also of historical interest for its association with James Nettleton, Mayor of Camberwell 1932-4 and prominent in public affairs in the local area and further afield. Nettleton lived in the house between 1930 and 1950 and the property remained in the Nettleton family until at least the 1960s.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Boroondara - Review of B Graded Buildings in Kew, Camberwell and Hawthorn, Lovell Chen Architects & Heritage Consultants, 2006; Boroondara - Camberwell Conservation Study, Graeme Butler, 1991;
Hermes Number	14730
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Physical Description 1

931 Toorak Road is a simply massed two storey attic bungalow design with a large central dormer in its Marseilles-pattern tiled roof, plain red brick walls and verandah columns, and a brick paneled fence with its original segmentally arched gate pergola. The main roof is in two pitches only, punctuated by a chimney running behind the fascia at the west end, and the window and door details, at least as viewed from Toorak Road, appear original. There have been alterations at the rear of the house, and a new garage constructed. Both are visible from Rowell Avenue but do not dominate views to the house.[i]

[i] Details sourced from the City of Camberwell Building Index, #81464, dated 23 October 1986, (laundry, toilet and new window to sun room); # 87310, dated 26 January 1989, # 89162, dated 3 October 1989 (garage).

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