Victorian Heritage Database Report

HOUSE



773 Sydney Road



773 SYDNEY ROAD



773 SYDNEY RD FENCE

Location

773 SYDNEY ROAD, COBURG NORTH, MORELAND CITY

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO401

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The house, constructed by 1934 for Alfred Bates, and front fence at 773 Sydney Road, Coburg North. The original form, detailing, materials and finishes of the house and fence contribute to the significance of the place.

Non-original additions and alterations to the house and fence are not significant.

How is it significant?

The house and front fence at 773 Sydney Road, Coburg Northare of local architectural significance to Moreland City.

Why is it significant?

It is architecturally significant as a fine and well-detailed example of an inter-war attic bungalow, a dwelling type that is rare in this part of Coburg. The architectural and aesthetic qualities of the house are complemented by the front fence. (Criterion D)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - City of Moreland - North of Bell Street Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2013;
Construction dates	1934,
Other Names	Individual,
Hermes Number	149930
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

This is an early 1930s California Bungalow which is highly intact. While a fairly restrained design, its quality suggests the involvement of an architect or craftsman-builder. The attic-style form is unusual in Coburg, and is more often seen in the eastern suburbs.

The house is built of clinker brick (tuckpointed in black) with a band of roughcast render above window level. It has a transverse gable roof clad in variegated Marseille tiles. The roof to the main body of the house has a higher peak and a hipped-roof dormer to the facade. A lower section of roof on the north side of the house defines the entry. The front door is located under a continuation of the roof supported by a clinker-brick pier that punctures the roof and rises slightly above it, like a chimney or pylon. The top of the pylon has a band of vertical bricks above render. Both the higher and lower gables are finished with timber shingles. The windows to the main elevation are boxed, paired double hung sash. The upper sashes of the windows and the glazed front door has a diamond motif.

The front fence is a low brick wall with chunky roughcast rendered piers with a band of vertical bricks at the top (like the verandah pylon). Between the piers is geometric mild-steel fencing, which matches the driveway gates. The fence is original to the house, but has been extended upwards with the addition of unsympathetic neo-Victorian palisade-type fencing.

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