
17 STANLEY TERRACE, SURREY HILLS

Location

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Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7922-0512

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

17 Stanley Terrace is of archaeological significance due to its relationship to the development and expansion of early suburban Melbourne. From the late 19th century to the early 20th century, the rail line propelled growth in Melbourne's eastern suburbs, creating in turn the expansion of both residential and commercial properties. It is possible that ground disturbing works at 17 Stanley Terrace may uncover archaeological remains associated with either/or the main property, outbuilding, and cesspit recorded on historic plans. This property was removed sometime between 1910 and 1945, presumably around the time of construction for Chatham Station in 1927. Any buried foundations, deposits, or artefacts associated with these properties can therefore have the potential to add to the understanding of early 20th century suburban life.

How is it significant?

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Interpretation of Site

The site of 17 Stanely Terrace represents the early development and urbanisation of the area after the opening of the railway in the late 19th century. A building with a verandah and associated outbuilding with a potential cesspit were located on the corner at 17 Stanley Terrace, as seen on the 1909 plan, but it is not present on the 1945 aerial imagery. Investigation of Sands and McDougall directories from the earlier 20th century show that properties along Stanley Terrace included both residential properties and light industry, including a stables and motor garage, to the east of 17 Stanley Terrace. The removal of properties during the construction, which is presumed for 17 Stanley Terrace, transformed this area initially into an open space which created a walkthrough for pedestrians to reach Chatham station, then eventually used as a carpark. No other structures were erected in place of 17 Stanley Terrace, with a line of mature trees noted on 1962 aerial images. Due to the asphaltting of the carpark, there is potential for foundations and archaeological deposits to be intact, which may relate to both the property and passengers travelling to and from the station and the surrounding areas during the early 20th century. Further, the cesspit attached to an outbuilding, as seen on the 1909 MMBW plans, may also be intact and prove to be a valuable archaeological resource, providing information on the daily refuse of the period.

Hermes Number 208346

Property Number

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