
House

Location

1 Keyes Street ASHBURTON, BOROONDARA CITY

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO924

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Hermes Number 208931

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The subject property is a triple fronted blonde brick Waterfall style (a 1940s development of the streamline Moderne style) house on a dark glazed manganese brick plinth (Figures 5 and 6). Each bay features a dark painted steel framed window with curved glass. A frosted glass window with a floral motif next to the front door appears original (Figure 6). Window sills are of an angled manganese brick, similar to the bricks used in the plinth. A chimney is asymmetrically placed in the front elevation providing a strong vertical break in the otherwise low horizontal forms. The chimney also incorporates curves in its buttresses, and is capped with the same manganese brick as the plinth (Figure 5). The front entrance porch is reached via curved steps and detailed with dark painted metalwork, the whole is of crazy paving that matches the front fence (Figures 6 and 8). The series of curves in both plan and detail are accented by the bands of dark manganese brick, and

dark painted steel window frames and metalwork act the porch, typical of the Waterfall style. The glazed tile roof comprises a hipped gable with a porch incorporated into the main section. Over the curved windows, the deep eaves project to a sharp corner (Figure 5). The porch roof is supported by a decorative steel ribbon column which matches the low balustrade of the porch (Figure 6). The steps and porch are finished in crazy paving, which is continued into the edging of the garden beds, providing the house a generous garden setting in its original layout. The front boundary fence (Figure 9) continues across up to the frontage of 3 Keyes Street and then forks to mark the boundary between the two properties through the front setback. The fence is topped with decorative steel panels that match the porch balustrade. The fence along the Beatty Crescent side boundary has been altered. The height of the pillars has been increased and the original steel panels have been replaced by powder coated panels of tubular steel topped with decorative treatment similar to the original panels.

To the rear, a large garage was constructed by McDiarmid in 1953 and finished to match the house. The parapet uses a curving stepped motif reminiscent of the stepped plan of the house and form of the Waterfall chimney (Figure 10).

The home is intact externally with some later additions to the rear, visible when viewed from Beatty Street, that do not undermine its integrity or significance. The original crazy paved fence and garage that matches the house are intact and contribute to a high level of integrity across the site.

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