23 Edinburgh Avenue, Caulfield



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Location

23 EDINBURGH AVENUE CAULFIELD, GLEN EIRA CITY

Municipality

GLEN EIRA CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO: Individually Significant

Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

Glen Eira City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The former Shillabeer House at 23 Edinburgh Avenue, Caulfield, is a single-storey brick house in the Melbourne Regional style, with an elongated L-shaped plan, low gabled roof

(enveloping a timber-posted carport to one side), extensive window walls and a recessed courtyard enclosed by a hit-and-miss brick wall. Erected in 1958 for Frank Shillabeer, the third generation of a family of prominent Melbourne builders, the house was designed by Montgomery, King & Trengove and most likely erected by Shillabeer's firm.

The significant fabric is defined as the exterior of the entire building.

How is it significant?

The house satisfies the following criteria for inclusion on the heritage overlay schedule to the City of Glen Eira planning scheme:

• Criterion E: Importance in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics.

Why is it significant?

The house is aesthetically significant as an excellent and substantially intact example of a house in the so-called Melbourne Regional style associated with the younger generation of locally-trained architects who commenced practice in the later 1940s and early 1950s. With its elongated L-shaped plan form, low gabled roof, broad eaves and full-height window walls, the house demonstrates the principal characteristics of this relaxed sub-style of post-WW2 modernism, coupled with some more distinctive features such as the recessed courtyard enclosed by screen wall of hit-and-miss brickwork, and the large opening in the carport roof. While the City of Glen Eira contains a high proportion of post-WW2 houses in the academic modernist style, many of which were designed by European-trained emigre architects, this is one of relatively few examples of the more relaxed modernist style adopted by younger locally-trained architects in the 1950s and early '60s. (Criterion E)

Theme

6. Building towns cities and the garden state

Heritage City of Glen Eira Post-war and Hidden Gems Heritage Review, Built Heritage Pty

Study/Consultant Ltd, 2020;

Hermes Number 210176

Property Number

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