
Preshil School Hall



City of Kew Urban
Conservation Study 1988

Location

395 Barkers Road KEW, Boroondara City

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO6

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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The Preshil School Hall is of significance for its innovative form and as a major early work of Kevin Borland's office. It is also of significance for having been officially recognised for its excellence by the architectural profession.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Boroondara - City of Kew Urban Conservation Study, Pru Sanderson Design Pty Ltd, 1988;
Hermes Number	22341
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Drawings were lodged with the Kew City Council for an application to build this hall, in 1962. It has an innovative octagonal plan with an octagonal roof offset against the alignment of the walls, creating a lively play of forms. The form of the hall, and the subsequent manner in which it can be used, represents a major departure from the more common nave-like halls designed for schools. The expressed beams both span the hall, and the sheltered bays on the external perimeter. The walls are built of grey concrete blocks and the roof clad in steel deck. The excellence of the building's design was officially recognised after ten years, when it received the Victorian Architecture Medal in 1972

References --

1 City of Kew, Building Permit application

2 *ibid.*

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