Osage Orange



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Location

7 Templestowe Road BULLEEN, Manningham City

Municipality

MANNINGHAM CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1494

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO160

Heritage Listing

Manningham City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on -

The Osage Orange Trees at Heide I & II, 7 Templestowe Rd, Bulleen are of state significance for their rarity, connection with the art patrons John and Sunday Reed, and their influence on the design of the Heide II house.

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Study/Consultant Patrick Pty Ltd, 2006;

Other Names Located at Heide I and II, Maclura pomifera,

Hermes Number 22927

Property Number

Physical Conditions

Public land

Melway Ref: 32 E5

Setting/Position: A row of 48 trees run along the western and part of the northern boundaries of Heide I. Another group of 10 trees run north-south on either side of the Heide II house, fitting into its architecture.

No. of trees: 58

Height: 12.4m (typ. Heide II)

c.8m (typ. Heide I)

Canopy Spread (m) E-W: 14m (typ. Heide II)

c.6m (typ. Heide I)

N-S: 10m (typ. Heide II)

c.6m (typ. Heide I)

DBH: 520mm @ base (typ. Heide II)

c.400mm (typ. Heide I)

Approx. Age of Tree: +70 years (Heide II row)

The row surrounding Heide I may be more recent

TPZ: 6.2m CRZ: 2.7m

Category of Significance:

Location or context

Rare or localised

Historic value

Level of Significance: Regional

History: In the garden of the Heide I & II houses; the home of John and Sunday Reed, patrons of Australian artists such as Sydney Nolan, Albert Tucker, Arthur Boyd and Joy Hester. The planting date for the National Trust Registered trees on Heide II is unknown; however they were planted soon after the Reeds moved into the property to provide a windbreak and shelter. This row of trees influenced the design of the heritage listed Heide II house, which is designed to narrow in the centre so that it moves through the row, with the row commencing on one side and finishing on the other side of the house. The planting date of the trees at Heide I is also unknown; however it is known that they were planted by the Reeds and clearly mark the extent of the house garden. They have been described as once having a bower of violets growing beneath them while the Reeds were at the house.

Health:

Leaf necrosis

Other/Notes: Some leaf dieback is present.

Health Rating: 2

Threats/Risks to Tree: Development is occurring adjacent to the trees in Heide I, with some trenching close to the trees having already occurred. The trees in Heide II are susceptible to compaction.

Hazards/Risks:

V-crotched

Irregular branch structure

Other/Notes: Trees are generally multi-stemmed with poor form as is typical of the species. Many of the trees are bifurcated with included bark and some have epicormic growth.

Structure Rating: 4

Existing

Overlay Controls:

Heritage Overlay (HO160), Heritage Overlay (HO161), Environmental Significance Overlay (ESO1), Land Subject to Inundation Overlay (LSIO)

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Works Required & Priority:

Formative prune all trees within the next three to six months, carrying out maintenance work as required. Any dead trees should be removed and the gaps infilled with trees propagated from those on site (this species strikes well from cuttings and responds to heavy pruning).

Management Prescriptions:

The trees should be assessed every 2 years by a qualified arborist, carrying out works as required. For the next three years inspections should be carried out six-monthly in order to ensure that trees have not been damaged by building works. Appropriate stress reduction measures should be under taken if required and may include supplementary summer irrigation.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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