
Heatherleigh Place Precinct

Location

Heatherleigh Place MALVERN EAST, Stonnington City

Municipality

STONNINGTON CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO357

Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

Statement of Significance

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Heatherleigh Place is of regional significance as a fine and largely intact example of an interwar suburban estate with *cul de sac*, or court, developed largely by a single building company for a middle-class clientele. The houses to the *cul the sac*, consistent in style, demonstrate the eclectic approach to design and applied ornament typical of the building profession at this time; the associated emphasis on distinctive and individual house design for each allotment ensures diversity within what otherwise presents as a coherent and unified environment. The court is also notable for its retention of interwar period features such as street trees, concrete road surfacing, and low fences, the whole combining to create an enclosed, quiet and pleasing environment

Heritage Study/Consultant	Stonnington - City of Stonnington Heritage Overlay Report (Stages 1-5) 1998, Bryce Raworth P/L, 1998;
Construction dates	1921,
Other Names	Heatherleigh Place, Malvern East,
Hermes Number	31541
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Heatherleigh Place is located in East Malvern, northeast of the intersection of Waverley and Darling Roads. The short *cul de sac* is located at sufficient distance from these major suburban arteries to enjoy their amenity without their disadvantages. Heatherleigh Place provides a quiet, tree-lined haven in the midst of this busy suburban location.

Heatherleigh Place is distinctive in terms of its landscaping elements which have survived from the original subdivision. Formal stands of mature trees are located on either side of the road and the *cul de sac* terminates in a turning circle which features a central island bed, densely planted with shrubs. The footpaths and crossovers are of modern concrete construction but the original concrete road and kerbs survive. Houses in the area are unfenced or have low walls in stone or face or rendered brick, allowing the nature strips to flow into the well maintained gardens. Some fences are relatively modern, but all observe an appropriate scale. The heavy tree canopy conceals the street's overhead wiring and frames the vista to the island plantings and beyond to *Coronal*, a nineteenth century mansion on the adjacent estate.

The built fabric of Heatherleigh Place comprises eight interwar bungalows of strikingly similar design. They are all single storey, brick residences with hipped or helm roofs of terracotta tiles. Variety is achieved through differing treatments to entries, which variously feature arches, boldly expressed columns or buttressed piers. Most of the houses in Heatherleigh Place retain their original leadlight windows and exterior decorative finishes such as render and bung shingles. All the properties have driveways and early garages survive at Nos 8 and 5.

Heatherleigh place enjoys a high standard of condition and integrity. No visible additions have taken place with the exception of a sympathetic garage at no. 7 and several low fences, and the whole area remains in good, original condition. The roof to the house at 3 Heatherleigh Place appears to have been extended to accommodate an upper floor, but tills represents a very subtle change within the street.

Local Historical Themes

8.2.3 'The City of Real Homes' development of Malvern after World War 1

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