
BLACKBURN HOUSE

Location

16 LOUISVILLE AVENUE,, PASCOE VALE SOUTH VIC 3044 - Property No 41247

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO105

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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16 Louisville Avenue is of local historical and architectural significance. It is associated with Maurice Blackburn, a noted Federal MP. It is one of the largest houses in the Coonans Hill Precinct, and is notable for its early use of brick veneer construction, a technique apparently invented by its builder, Joe Clift. The significance of Blackburn House is diminished by the lack of any original landscapingthe front garden is completely paved and the brick fence and steel gates (all c.late 1980s), whilst sympathetic, are not original.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Moreland - City of Coburg Heritage Conservation & Streetscape Study, Timothy Hubbard Pty Ltd, 1991; Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999; Moreland - Further Conservation Areas Report (Supplementary Volume to Coburg Heritage Conservation and Streetscape Study), Timothy Hubbard Pty Ltd, 1995; |
| Other Names | Individual, |
| Hermes Number | 59058 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

Blackburn House is a two storey attic-style house of clinker brick veneer with glazed terracotta tiled gabled and hipped roofs with white-painted vertical timber cladding to the gable ends. There is a small hipped-roof dormer to the south of the west facade, and plain clinker brick chimneys penetrate each end of the transverse gable. The house has diamond-pane leadlit timber-framed windows with sash openings and brick dressings, and pointed arch openings to a window on the west elevation of a single storey section to the south, and to the front door. A high clinker brick fence with steel gates was added c.late 1980s, and the front garden was completely paved at approximately the same time.

Key Architectural Elements:

clinker brick veneer walls
steeply pitched glazed terracotta tiled roofs
timber panelled gable-ends

Conservation Guidelines:

remove non-original front fence and gates
remove non-original window awnings

Principal Historic Themes:

Association with individuals or families

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