
White Lodge



Review of C* Grade Buildings
in the Former City of
Hawthorn

Location

27 Mason Street HAWTHORN, Boroondara City

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO462

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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White Lodge, 27 Mason Street, Hawthorn, is of historical and architectural significance at a local level. It is a good and relatively intact example of an interwar bungalow with an eclectic composition which combines Craftsman and vernacular revival style features such as squared hipped and circular bays integrated with the general line of the building, clinker brickwork, curved soffit, heavy window boxes and a flat-roofed verandah on stylised Doric columns. The transverse gable with a long central dormer is a particular Craftsman element. In massing the

subject dwelling also resembles several notable Shingle Style houses in the United States. The extension to the north, while visible, is generally sympathetic, and the property is enhanced by the original fence and gates.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Boroondara - Review of C* Grade Buildings in the Former City of Hawthorn, Lovell Chen Architects & Heritage Consultants, 2006; Boroondara - Hawthorn Heritage Study, Meredith Gould Conservation Architects, 1993; Boroondara - Neighbourhood Character Precinct 24 - Heritage Citations, Context, 2015;
Construction dates	1926,
Other Names	White Lodge,
Hermes Number	14565
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

White Lodge, at 27 Mason Street, Hawthorn, is an attic storey interwar bungalow of asymmetrical planning sited on a corner allotment. The single-ridged hipped gable roof is clad with Marseilles-pattern terracotta tiles, and is relieved by a long eyelid dormer and small hipped projecting bay on the east side elevation. Simple rendered chimneys with flat-top caps penetrate the roofscape with an expressed breast and shaft. The walls are finished with overpainted render above a tuck-pointed clinker brick plinth. The narrow Mason Street (south) frontage comprises two distinctive bays beneath the main gable - to the east is a semi-circular bay window and to the west a recessed bay with curved soffit, grouped window bay and consoled window box. The Calvin Street (east) frontage contains three bays with a central main entrance containing a pair of glazed timber-framed doors with distinctive circular motif, flanked by a tripartite window bay and second pair of doors to the north. The bay is screened by a flat-roofed verandah supported by rendered stylised Doric columns. The verandah is terminated on the south by a squared projecting bay with bow window featuring clinker brickwork to sill level. All windows contain timber-framed double-hung sashes with squared leadlight top sashes. The frontages are fenced by an original low clinker brick wall with brick piers and galvanised steel pipe railing; the pair of wrought iron strapwork pedestrian gates are believed to be original. A privet hedge and concrete path evident in photographs from the previous study have been removed, as have gates to the driveway and a section of fence. Alterations to the house include a generally sympathetic extension to the north end completed in c.1998, together with an extension of the columned verandah to return around the building at its north end, and connecting with a new carport at the north-east corner.[i]

[i] The carport is not evident on the Melbourne & Metropolitan Board of Works Property Service Plan of Drainage No. 156899, dated 24 September 1926.

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