
5 Bowen Street



Review of B Graded Buildings
in Kew, Camberwell &
Hawthorn

Location

5 Bowen Street KEW, Boroondara City

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO275

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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5 Bowen Street, Kew is of local historical and architectural significance as a *fine, representative and relatively intact example of single-storey Federation house design, with flanking wings, homestead-form main roof, corner tower and diagonal address of property and street*. It is richly and robustly detailed, yet maintains an elegance of line and an emphatic horizontality. The house makes a vital contribution to Bowen Street's group of late Federation houses.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Boroondara - Review of B Graded Buildings in Kew, Camberwell and Hawthorn, Lovell Chen Architects & Heritage Consultants, 2006; Boroondara - City of Kew Urban Conservation Study, Pru Sanderson Design Pty Ltd, 1988;
Hermes Number	14590
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

5 Bowen Street, Kew, is a single-storey double-fronted Federation villa in the Queen Anne style. The gabled roof is clad with terracotta tiles and has terracotta ridge cresting and finials, timber shingle clad gable ends, exposed rafters and slender face brick chimneys with roughcast rendered and ribbed caps. The return verandah has a corner turret and bellcast roof supported on square timber posts with timber brackets and brick dwarf wall, which appears to have been either reconstructed or repointed. The asymmetrical facade is of tuckpointed red brick construction on a face bluestone plinth. Projecting bays feature bow and bay windows and sashes throughout are timber-framed casements with leadlight glazing; a keyhole window is located adjacent to the main entrance which contains a timber-framed half-glazed door with matching leadlight sidelights and a wrought iron screen door.

It is believed the brick fence was constructed around 1982.[i] A number of applications have also been made for alterations and additions to the house and works are being undertaken at the time of writing. To date, none of these changes has had a negative impact on the presentation of the property to the street.

[i] Details sourced from the City of Kew Building Index, #9802, dated 2 June 1982.

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