7 Bowen Street



Review of B Graded Buildings in Kew, Camberwell & Damp; Hawthorn

Location

7 Bowen Street KEW, Boroondara City

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO276

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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7 Bowen Street Kew is of local historical and architectural significance as an interesting and externally relatively intact example of the 'homestead' variant in suburban Federation housing, more common interstate and in country areas but occasionally appearing in Melbourne. Its design responds to the emergence of both the Bungalow and Colonial Revivalism as dominant suburban forms.

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

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Property Number

Physical Description 1

7 Bowen Street, Kew, is a single-storey double-fronted bungalow of red face brick construction. The pyramidal roof, recently reclad with terracotta tiles, has terracotta ridge cresting, finials, exposed rafters and slender face brick chimneys with rendered bands, flat plate tops and terracotta pots. The roof of the broad return verandah is integral with the general roof structure. This verandah roof is supported on square timber posts with a simple timber frieze and tessellated tile floor. Both the front facade and a projecting bay on the south elevation feature broad bow windows; sashes throughout are timber-framed casements with leadlight glazing and rendered dressings. The entrance is via a broad brick arch beneath the side return verandah and comprises a paneled timber door with glazed fan and sidelights containing non-original obscure glazing.

A number of applications have also been made for alterations and additions to the house. Most recently, a two-storey addition of distinctly contemporary appearance (designed by Allom Lovell & Associates) has been constructed at the rear of the property. The construction of this addition involved the demolition of an altered section at the rear of the house. Though visible from the street this addition is well back into the site and reads as a separate structure. The original house itself remains intact as viewed from the street.

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