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# 1199 Burke Road



Review of B Graded Buildings  
in Kew, Camberwell &  
Hawthorn

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## Location

1199 Burke Road KEW, Boroondara City

## Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO278

## Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

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## Statement of Significance

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Significance of Individual Property

1199 Burke Road is of local historical and architectural significance. It is an interesting example of a residence of the late 1910s which adopted aspects of the bungalow form, being emphatically single-storied, informal, comfortably domestic in bearing, elegant in expressing horizontality and line, providing for the car, generous in its

fusion of porch and verandah, open in its internal plan. Stylistically, however, it demonstrates a continuing attachment to the Federation and Arts and Crafts detailing of the early twentieth century.

HO162 Sackville Street Precinct, Kew

The Sackville Street Precinct, Kew, is an area of heritage significance for the following reasons:

- The place contains a number of individually significant mansions generally dating from the late Victorian period, set on generous allotments. These are supported, visually, by a series of smaller houses which range in date from the Victorian era to the Federation and interwar periods. There are several pleasant houses from the post-WWII period.
- As is the case for Harcourt Street Hawthorn (HO151), the area is important for its ability to demonstrate a pattern of early mansion development supplemented by smaller houses added from the Federation through to more recent periods.
- The area is notable for its imposing envelope of street trees which arch over the street for most of its length, and for its large and mature gardens.

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| 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             | 14594  |
| Property Number           |  |

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## Physical Description 1

1199 Burke Road appears to be basically intact as viewed from the Burke Road front, though overpainted. It is a moderately large bungalow of 1918, marked by a long transverse gable ending in a gabled hip at the north end, and punctuated by a wing, again roofed in a gabled hip, that projects toward Burke Road. A second wing roof, projecting over a bay and also facing Burke Road, is a standard gable that projects from a point just below the main roof eave. Its roof is clad in terracotta tiles in a Marseilles pattern, its rafters are exposed, its Burke Road elevation is an episodic sequence of bays, a wing, an enclosed verandah, and a delineated entry point for the front door. This episodic sense is built up further by other, smaller 'events' across the house front: such as the angled and leaning buttresses. The windows are mostly tall casements, rather like the grouped, plain glassed casements of the British Arts and Crafts Free Styles (Voysey, Mackintosh) or the Bungalow or regional styles (Greene and Greene, Irving Gill) being employed in the United States. The plan is open with a living room and dining room opening off the entry hall through double-width doors, while a passage to the rear linked a large bedroom to the three spaces to form a fourth component in the Burke Street front. The house is viewed in sections through three gateways in an otherwise concealing high fence. The main additions are at the rear,<sup>[i]</sup> and are not visible from the street. The house also appears to have been overpainted. Other additions and alterations include a brick garage added in 1962, a swimming pool in 1966, unspecified additions, 1978; and an enclosed verandah of that year. All these were at the rear of the building.<sup>[ii]</sup>

Later additions included a spa, further unspecified alterations, fences, retaining wall, tennis court. 1988 saw another group of alterations, including a spa pool, more unspecified alterations and a terrace, retaining wall and (another?) tennis court and garage.<sup>[iii]</sup>

The car court at the northern end and the brick gate posts behind that, and the asphalted and brick-lined drive from the south entrance to the site all appear to be of recent origins.

[i] See Donald Walker and Associates, working drawings, dated 22 December 1994, #1420 in City of Boroondara Building Index: same date.

[ii] Details sourced from City of Kew Building Index, 57, dated 12 September 1962 (garage); #888, dated 31 August 1966 (swimming pool); #7370, dated 6 July 1978 (unspecified additions); #7537, dated 15 September 1978: Enclosure of a verandah,

[iii] Details sourced from the City of Boroondara and Kew Building Indexes, Planning file 40/409/03719 Pt1 ; Building: #40/408/15008 Pt 1. Also #4422-for a proposed new footing.

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