3 Second Avenue



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

Location

3 Second Avenue KEW, Boroondara City

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO339

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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3 Second Avenue, Kew is of local historical and architectural significance as a fine and highly intact example of an interwar attic storey brick bungalow featuring asymmetrical planning and Arts and Crafts stylistic overtones. It is a striking and commanding composition which uses its elevated site and addresses the approach along Second Avenue with considerable skill. The setting of the house appears intact; the property retains its original fence comprising split-face brick piers (now overpainted) complete with chain swags and wrought iron gates, together with a series of other hard landscaping features.

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;
Construction dates	1924,
Hermes Number	14658
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The house at 3 Second Avenue, Kew, is an attic storey interwar bungalow of brick construction and asymmetrical planning which exhibits Arts and Crafts stylistic overtones. The roofscape is formed by intersecting cross ridged gables and is finished with glazed terracotta tiles, exposed rafters, louvered gable vents and plain brick chimneys. Shingled weatherboards and lattice panels clad the attic room walls and gable ends. The walls display a natural roughcast rendered finish above a split-face brick plinth with clinker brick soldier course on a bullnosed red brick capping. The house is set back and at an angle to the road with the main entrance facing south-east and a side entrance to the south-west. The main entrance is set within a projecting double-storey gabled porch which is accessed via arched openings and flanked by split-face textured brick piers and clinker brick dressings; the first floor level contains an open balcony. The original entrance contains a timber-framed leadlight glazed door and surrounds, whereas the doors accessing the first floor balcony are multi-paned; both retain wrought iron screen doors. The fenestration is irregularly placed and windows comprise singular, paired and grouped timber-framed double-hung, casement sashes with diaper-pattern leadlight glazing. A porthole window with etched glazing is located adjacent to the porch beyond which is an atypical bay window with triangular form. The house appears to be externally intact to its date of construction with a later shed and pool towards the rear.[i]

The original front fence matches the house with split-face brick piers (now overpainted) and chain swags and wrought iron gates. Original landscape elements include concrete terraces, paths and driveway with a non-original steel-framed carport.

[i] City of Kew Building Index, #436, dated 14 August 1961, shed; #3610, dated 15 November 1972, steel-framed carport; and #2049, dated 28 November 1985, swimming pool.

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