
HOUSE



Hunter Road, 30

Location

30 Hunter Road CAMBERWELL, BOROONDARA CITY

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO720

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The dwelling at 30 Hunter Road, Camberwell is significant for a picturesque two storey Old English style dwelling constructed in 1936.

How is it significant?

30 Hunter Road, Camberwell is of local historical, architectural and aesthetic significance to the City of Boroondara.

Why is it significant?

30 Hunter Road is historically significant as it demonstrates the popularity of the Old English style during the interwar phase of residential development in Camberwell. (Criterion A)

30 Hunter Road is architecturally significant as a fine and intact representative example of Old English style domestic architecture. The dwelling embodies the principal characteristics of the style through its large asymmetrical massing and set of well executed detailing. It is characteristic of the class of residences designed and constructed for its location for owners that had the means to adopt emerging styles and display their affluence in an emerging suburb. (Criterion D)

30 Hunter Road is of aesthetic significance for its demonstration of the Old English style with individual characteristics. The details seen in the gables, brickwork and openings demonstrate the skill of the design through the successful composition of the gable and tower forms. The northern gable and its intersection with the main two-storey form creates a layering of the facade and gives prominence to the gabled form contributing to its picturesque form. Of particular note are the distinctive double height window openings on the north-western corner aspect of the building, which add to the stylistic quality of the dwelling, while displaying the function of an internal space. (Criterion E)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Boroondara - Municipal-Wide Heritage Gap Study: Vol. 2 Camberwell, Context, 2018;
Hermes Number	202094
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The house at 30 Hunter Road is a picturesque Old English domestic revival style dwelling. It sits on the eastern corner of Hunter Road and Sycamore Street and faces Highfield Park across Hunter Road. The dwelling features a multi-ridged attic roof form with a protruding first storey through the primary roof line. The roof is clad with Marseille tiles, and the walls are painted render with extruded brick detailing. The primary facades also feature imitation half timbering across the second storey.

Gables or part gables feature on all four facades. Each of the tips of the gable barge boards curves slightly and extends back into the facade. The asymmetric gable on the northern facade creates the primary aspect for the dwelling. The main entrance is adjacent to the gable and situated under a 'catslide' roof. The intersection of this principal gable occurs on the second storey with a symmetrical gable to the east, centrally placed, and a half gable/split hip roof to the west. To the south of this sit two more hip forms with the smaller central one offset. Sitting centrally in the building is the peak of the roof line, which aligns with the two western aspects.

The site gently slopes to the south and the rear of the house sits upon a brick plinth. Defined brick details across each of the facades are predominantly mottled two-toned roman brick, while the main construction material appears to be clinker bricks, rendered over. A stringcourse of clinker bricks delineates the ground floor from the first floor. The dwelling has only one chimney, placed internally and protruding off centre through the ridge of the eastern gable. Formed with full size clinker bricks, its details include a rising string course and capping.

Windows of the primary elevations on the ground floor have exposed brickwork sills and headwork details with the sides rendered over. On the first floor, timber window casements have a stacked brick base, extending from a point. Sash windows throughout have a sharp angled horn detail. The windows providing light for the stair stretch

double height from the landing of the staircase and reduce in length as the stair ascends. These windows are more narrow than seen elsewhere in the dwelling, with smaller window pane patterning with mottled glass instead of sheet glass.

The main entrance is accessed via an undercover porch within the line of the primary gable, while a double carport is attached to the western facade.

The recent fence is predominately timber post and beam with crossed centre beams with a two brick posts abutting the corner creating a gateway. A modern bricked driveway runs from this corner aspect of the property and runs along the western boundary to the carport. A path from this leads to the entrance. An established garden sits the east of these paths.

Besides the addition to the rear, externally the building appears to be intact. Recent real estate photos of the interior depict minimal work undertaken outside general modern upgrades, including the kitchen and in-floor air conditioning.

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