
HOUSE



The Ridge, 14 HOUSE

Location

14 The Ridge CANTERBURY, BOROONDARA CITY

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO694

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - November 19, 2018

What is Significant?

The dwelling and garden setting of 14 The Ridge, Canterbury is significant.

How is it significant?

14 The Ridge, Canterbury is of local aesthetic and architectural significance to the City of Boroondara.

Why is it significant?

14 The Ridge is significant as a fine and highly intact example of a picturesquely-composed attic storey brick residence, and for its successful execution of the domestic revival style with American over-tones of the Californian bungalow.

It is a representative example of a revival style dwelling that was designed and constructed for its location, and for owners that had the means to adopt the emerging styles and create a home that reflected their ideals. (Criterion D)

The detailing seen in the gables, the brickwork and the main entrance collectively contribute to the dwelling's aesthetic quality. (Criterion E)

Siting the house at 45-degrees to the street is an uncommon characteristic that adds to the picturesque quality of the dwelling and its setting, and increases the aesthetic value of the place. The property demonstrates the on-going development of Canterbury during the interwar period. (Criterion D & E)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Boroondara - Municipal-Wide Heritage Gap Study: Vol. 1 Canterbury, Context, 2018;
Construction dates	1923,
Architect/Designer	Carleton & Carleton,
Hermes Number	202099
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

14 The Ridge is a picturesque English Domestic Revival style dwelling with American over-tones of the Californian / Craftsman's Bungalow. It is set on a 45-degree angle to the street within an established garden setting. The dwelling incorporates a single-ridged attic form. The roof is covered in concrete tiles with exposed rafter ends and the walls are of painted rough-cast render over a plinth of clinker bricks with clinker brick detailing to the corners.

Gables are present on all four elevations with timber shingle detailing. Two nestled gables, reminiscent of a Californian Bungalow, are situated to the front and with bracket detailing beneath the shingles. The larger gable is terminated by the northern projection while the smaller gable is asymmetrical in its presentation to the street. A dominating gable, housing an attic room, projects out from the main gabled roof to the south and denotes the main entry, through an archway leading into an enclosed porch. A lesser gable is visible to the north.

The western facade to the street displays a central chimney with a Voyseyesque buttress like base, upon which a bank of small diamond lead-lightened casement windows with timber shutters and their detail are sited. Just under the windows are blind recesses that probably once held decorative glass. The flue rises up under the timber shingles and reappears on the ridge, where it is detailed with single exposed bricks projecting out from the render. A further chimney is just visible behind the projecting southern gable.

Further buttresses are seen to the north side of the smaller western gable and at the corner to the main entrance.

The main entrance is accessed through a small gateway, announced by two piers and a low wall. Either side of the main entrance are two large timber sliding sash windows; a bay closest to the street and box sash to the east. Both are situated on clinker brick corbels. The bay is located above a blind arched opening - also detailed in bricks. A further alcove is noticed in the entrance porch. All windows are depicted in the Californian Bungalow

fashion with projecting heads and sills supported on timber brackets.

The front garden is divided up by the concrete driveway that leads from the recessed gateway to the front door and to the north to provide a car space. A single storey brick and timber gabled roof garage or outhouse is visible at the rear through the black metal gates. A solid timber panelled front fence is present with standard paling fences to the side boundaries. A mature garden compliments the setting.

Externally the dwelling appears to be intact.

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