Canyanboon Statement of Significance August 2020

Heritage 28 Stevenson Street Kew PS ref no: HO824
Place:



What is significant?

The Edwardian-era house, Canyanboon at 28 Stevenson Street Kew, built in 1909 on part of the estate of Leaghur, for pastoral expert and wool manager Ernest Jackson and his family, is significant.

How is it significant?

28 Stevenson Street Kew is of local aesthetic and architectural significance to the City of Boroondara.

Why is it significant?

28 Stevenson Street is a fine example of an Edwardian-era house with features such as the red brick chimneys and elaborate leaded windows, however it foreshadows the transition to the bungalow style through the lower pitch of the roof and a compact symmetrical form with a central recessed porch framed by a red brick arch. 28 Stevenson Street is a notable, early and highly intact example of a transitional house between the Edwardian-era villa and bungalow styles. (Criterion D)

28 Stevenson Street is aesthetically significant for its pair of non-matching front bow windows with leaded glass top lights. A feature is the extended eaves line above the windows and supported on

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triangular brackets with notched weatherboard spandrel above. Further significant features include the deep recessed porch with squared double posts and the original door set in a Chinese-arched door case with sidelights. Aesthetically the form of the house is enhanced by its terra-cotta tile hipped roof with simple finials and the two heavily sculpted red brick chimneys. Aesthetically 28 Stevenson Street is also significant for its sympathetic colour scheme and use of roughcast render to the upper walls with plain red face brick below. Significant features of the front garden include the mature Canary Island Palm *Phoenix Canariensis* and rubble edging along the front boundary with the name Canyanboon in moulded concrete set into one of the basalt stones. (Criterion E)

Primary source

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