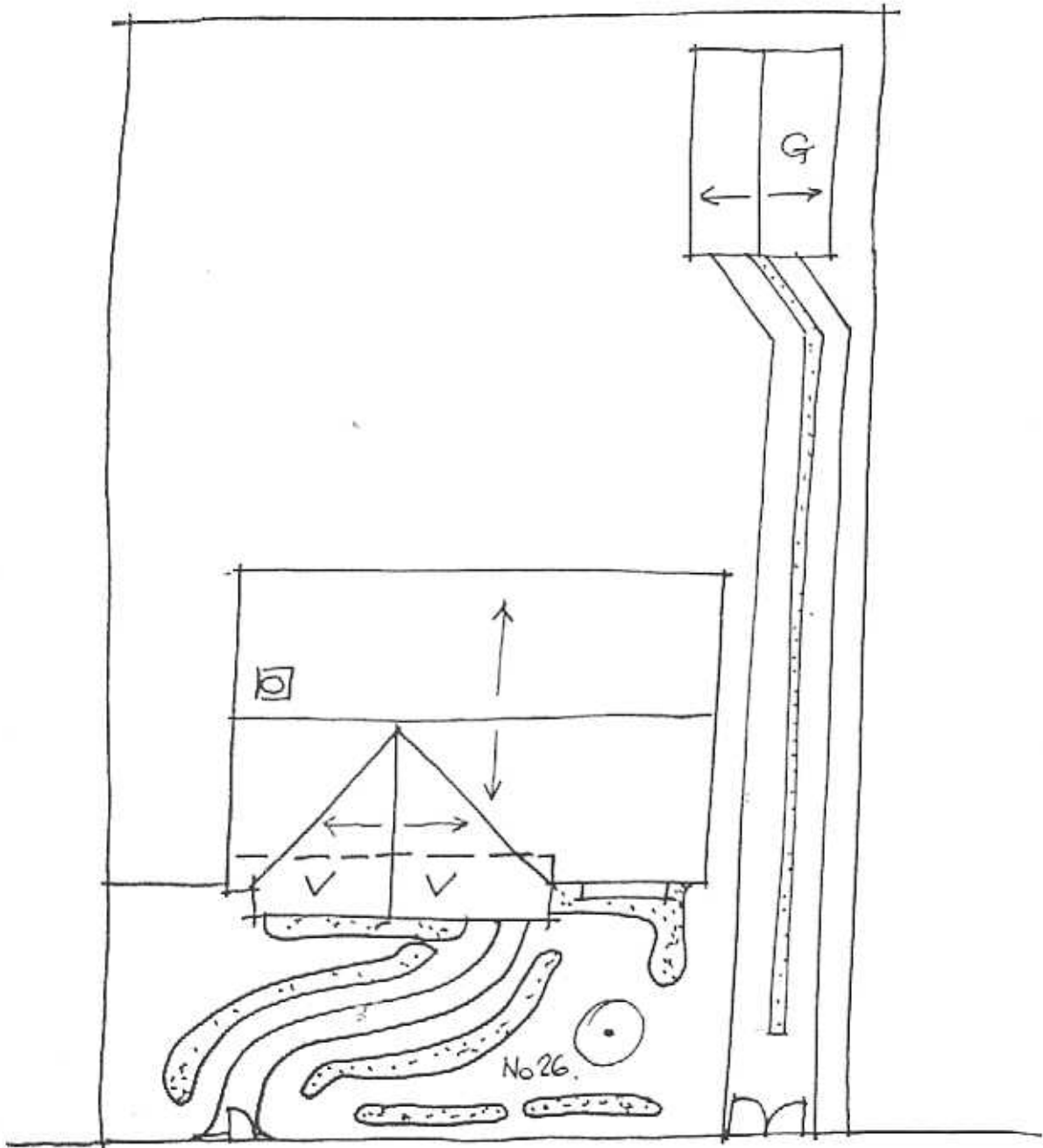


**NEWTOWN URBAN CONSERVATION STUDY, - 'C' CITATIONS. Ref: 185**

Richard Peterson Architect & Conservation Consultant. 1997.

<b>NAME:</b> —	
<b>ADDRESS:</b> 26 Roebuck Street.	
<b>USE:</b> House	
<b>SIGNIFICANT DATE:</b>	<b>CONSTRUCTION DATE:</b> 1924 <b>SOURCE:</b> 1
<b>DESIGNER:</b> —	<b>BUILDER:</b> —
<b>CRITERIA:</b> H1; Ar1	<b>HISTORIC THEME:</b> 2.3
<b>DESCRIPTION:</b>	<b>STYLE:</b> Bungalow <b>STORIES:</b> 1 <b>DETACHED.</b>
<b>MATERIALS:</b>	<b>WALLS:</b> Timber <b>ROOF:</b> Iron <b>STRUCTURE:</b> Stud
<b>CONDITION:</b> Very good	<b>INTACTNESS:</b> Excellent <b>THREATS:</b> —
<b>SIGNIFICANT INTACT ELEMENTS:</b> FORM. FACADE. VERANDAH. ROOF FORM. GABLE DECORATION. VERANDAH DECORATION. CHIMNEYS. DOORS. WINDOWS. OUTBUILDING. Garage. FENCE. GATES. CONTEXT Nos: 24, 25. GARDEN.	
<b>SIGNIFICANCE:</b>	
<b>TYPE:</b>	HISTORICAL. ARCHITECTURAL.
<b>LEVEL:</b>	LOCAL.
<b>DESIGNATION EXISTING:</b>	PLANNING SCHEME.
<b>RECOMMENDED CONTROL:</b>	PLANNING SCHEME.
<b>SURVEY:</b> RP	<b>DATE:</b> 15.3.1997 <b>NEGS:</b> 8.33 & 1279.32





ROEISWAK STREET

NTS 15.3.97 . RP.

**HISTORY:** In 1924 Sydney Walker, a manager, bought this land measuring 54' x 143' and the following year built a timber house on it. In 1935 Howard Parker, chemist, was recorded as the owner and occupier and that year also the frontage changed from 54' to 56'. Parker was still recorded as the owner/occupier in 1961.<sup>1</sup>

**VISUAL DESCRIPTION:** A double-fronted timber California Bungalow with a major gable across and a gable projecting at front over the verandah. Rafters are expressed and the chimney is red brick with an unglazed terra-cotta pot. The upper gables are supported on deeply coved brackets and jetty in pairs of small ogce brackets with rectangular hooded vents, also on bullnosed brackets. At front, the upper gable is shingled.

The verandah is on post-pairs with abstracted Doric capitals over and red brick ballustrade and pillars with rendered caps. Windows are triples and at right, with a flat hood on brackets. Each is entirely diamond leadlighted. Cills are supported on ogce brackets. Entrance doors are recessed and double: six pane glazed with flyscreen doors. One has an arched transom.

The garage, fence, vehicular and pedestrian gates including serpentine path and borders all survive, as do the beautifully cared for garden layout, apparently with appropriate plantings and a large cumquat tree (*Fortunella japonica*?) The fence and gates are crimped and woven wire and posts have sawn caps.

**SIGNIFICANCE:** A characteristics particularly intact timber Californian Bungalow built in 1925, with several surviving original contextual elements, including garden layout. It is architecturally significant as a representative of this domestic style, but particularly for its remarkable intactness and for the rare intact survival of its contextual elements including: garage, fence, pedestrian and vehicular gates, garden layout and appropriate plantings, including the cumquat. It is historically significant as a particularly evocative embodiment of a middle class family life in Newtown in the interwar period.

**INTACTNESS:** Excellent. There are some inappropriate unpainted pvc downpipes, which should be painted or replaced with metal.

**CONDITIONS & THREATS:** Very good. The fence has apparently been repaired, but now needs further careful repair.

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<sup>1</sup> City of Newtown and Chilwell Ratebooks.