

## **CITY OF DONCASTER & TEMPLESTOWE HERITAGE STUDY.**

### **18 SUMMIT DRIVE, BULLEEN. A4.**

**HISTORY** : Cocks and Carmichael (now Cocks Carmichael Whitford Pty. Ltd.) was founded by Robin Cocks and Peter Carmichael in 1968 and has developed a reputation for refined and elegant domestic design.<sup>1</sup> Construction of this house commenced in June 1980.<sup>2</sup>

**VISUAL DESCRIPTION** : A double-fronted, double-storey contemporary house in coffee coloured brick with a flat steel deck roof. It is carefully sited next to the linear park, Yarraleen Reserve, to obtain full benefit of the northern sun and the view towards the Yarra Valley. The design steps down the slope, around a central chimney, in the manner of the Ken Woolley (of Ancher, Mortlock, Murray & Wooley Pty. Ltd) Myer's house at Mossman, Sydney (1970). It has the affectations of its period, in glass bricks, vertical slot windows, quadrant round corners in brick at rear, and glazed in front and semi-circular rain-water heads. Timber is stained moss green and downpipes pinky buff, relating to its natural bush and ground-cover landscaped setting.

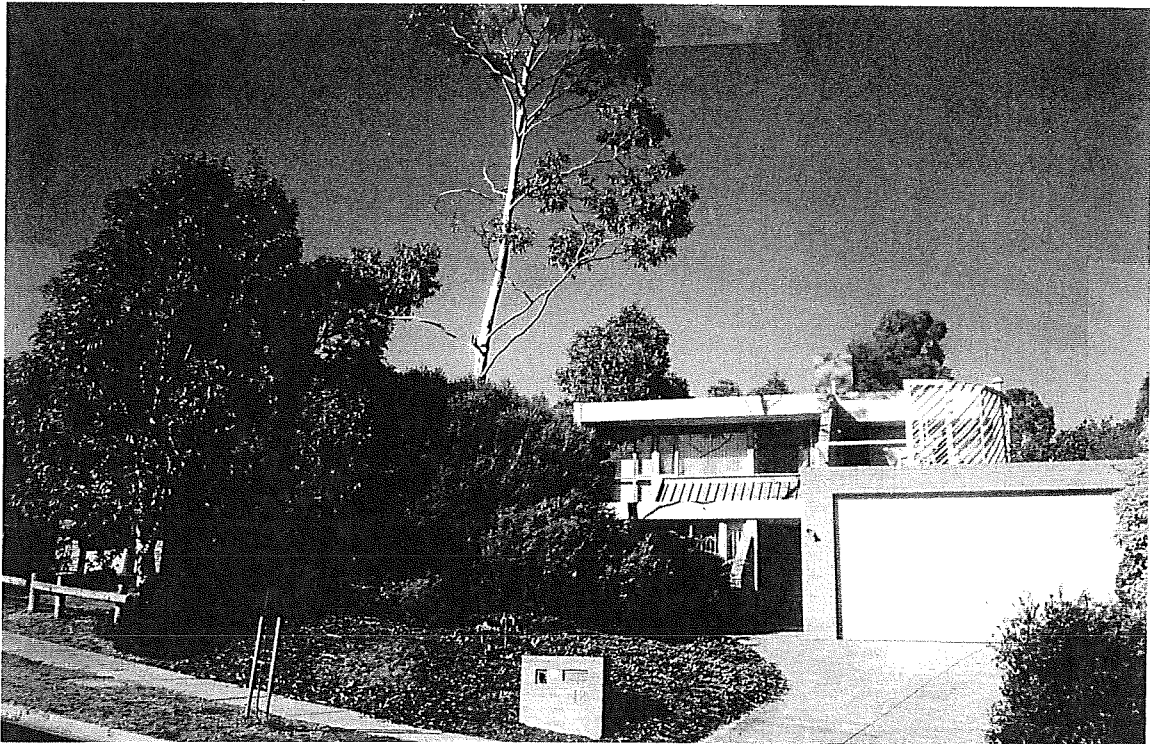
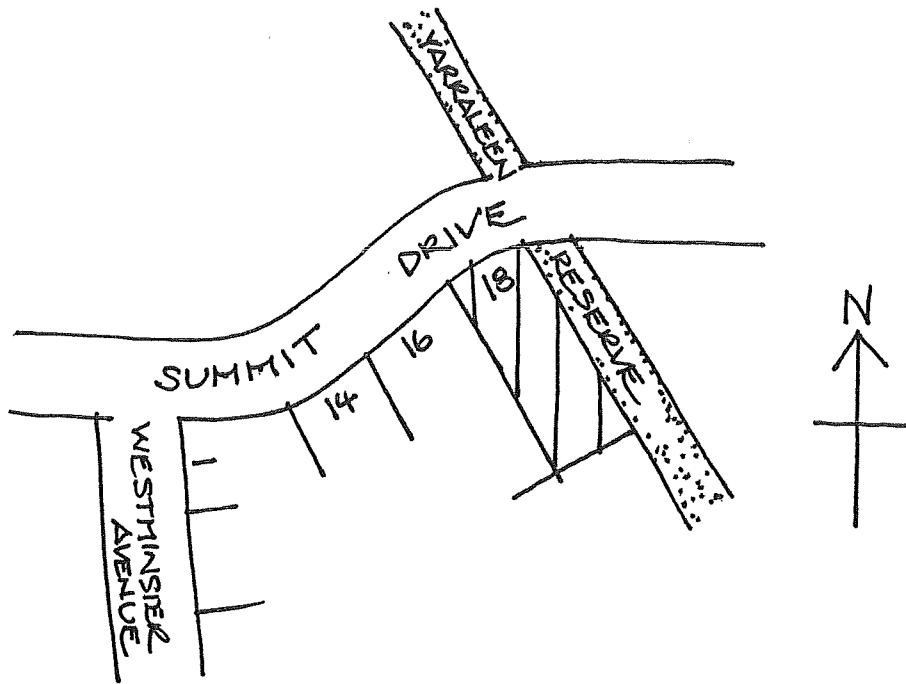
**COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS** : Cocks and Carmichael have also designed houses at 28-32 Rosco Drive, Templestowe. Also comparable to 2 St Georges Avenue, Templestowe, Dennis Carter (1973), and Keith and John R. Reid's houses such as at McLachlan Street (sw cnr Dellas Avenue) Templestowe Lower (1966 & 70) and "Carawajna", 10-12 Enfield Avenue, Park Orchards (1977). Cocks and Carmichael's townhouses at Locksley Road (cnr Maltravers Road) Ivanhoe are also comparable.<sup>3</sup>

**SIGNIFICANCE** : Of local architectural significance as a good example of the domestic work of important Melbourne architects Cocks and Carmichael, built in 1980, which is carefully related to its site.

**INTACTNESS** : Apparently intact. There have been no alterations.<sup>4</sup>

**CONDITION & THREATS** : Excellent condition.

**REFERENCES** : 1. Doug Evans (Editor) AARDVARK. The RMIT Guide to Contemporary Melbourne Architecture (Department of Architecture, RMIT) Melbourne (Undated, 1992?), pp.170 & 171.  
2. City of Doncaster and Templestowe Building Approvals Records, BA 36735, 9 June 1980. The builder was Birralees Homes of 92 Pach Street, Wantirna.  
3. Howard Tanner, Australian Housing in the Seventies, (Ure Smith) Sydney 1976, pp.86 & 87.  
4. Building approvals, op.cit.



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