

Balwyn Road Residential Precinct  
Place Citation

## 40 Balwyn Road, Canterbury

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Name	Mulberry Hill		
Place	Residential		
Type			
Date	c1969	Survey Date	Dec 2005
Architect	Not known	Previous Grading	Not graded
Builder	Not known	Grading	D

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Intactness ☒ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Poor

Heritage ☐ HV ☐ AHC ☐ NT ☐ BPS Heritage Overlay

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### History

This site was part of Ernst Carter's Shrublands Estate, which was subdivided in 1883. The land was part of the holdings purchased by Richard Werrett in May 1887 consisting of allotments 19 and 20 and part of allotment 18 at the corner of Balwyn and Mont Albert Roads.<sup>1</sup> Werrett's son, Frederick acquired allotment 18, and his daughter, Florence Ratten acquired allotment 19 in 1892.<sup>2</sup>

In 1918, two houses were constructed on the site - a six room timber house was built for A E Parker and a 7 room, brick house for Marian Moffitt by E S Garrett. These houses were demolished when the existing house was constructed in c1969 for Diana Eirene Angliss Gibson and her husband, Adrian Gibson.<sup>3</sup>

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- 1 R Da Costa-Adams, 'Notes of Balwyn Road, Canterbury Heritage Precinct'
  - 2 R Da Costa-Adams, 'Notes of Balwyn Road, Canterbury Heritage Precinct'
  - 3 R Da Costa-Adams, 'Notes of Balwyn Road, Canterbury Heritage Precinct'  
Diana is the grand-daughter of Sir William and Lady Jacobena Angliss. Sir William was a notable business man (meat exporting) and member of the Victorian Legislative Council and Lady Jacobena was an active member of several charity, welfare and arts organizations.

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The existing site boundaries were defined in the subdivision plan LP88510 of 28 May 1970.

### **Description & Integrity**

The two storey brown brick house is dominated by the large orange, tiered gable roof with its ridges to the street. The roof envelops both the understated entry to the house and a large carport. The building is set well back from the street frontage and is largely obscured by mature plants.

The design of the house is reminiscent of the so-called the work of the Sydney School. This group favoured employing a rugged and natural expression of contrasting natural materials and textures. The facades of the buildings were typically given limited prominence.

### **Statement of Significance**

One of several houses constructed post WWII and is representative of a lesser phase of development in the precinct, which extends to the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

### **Grading and Recommendations**

The site is part of the identified Balwyn Road Residential Precinct, which is recommended for inclusion within the Schedule to the Heritage Overlay.

### **Identified By**

RBA Architects + Conservation Consultants Pty Ltd

### **References**

G Butler, 'Camberwell Conservation Study', 1991  
R Da Costa-Adams, 'Notes of Balwyn Road, Canterbury Heritage Precinct', January 2006  
Subdivision Plan LP88510