

# HERITAGE CITATION REPORT

Name Address Robin Lodge 126 Moreland Road BRUNSWICK

Significa 2004 Local nce Level

Place Type Duplex



61808 DSC03169

Recommended VHR - HI - PS -Heritage Protection

#### Integrity

Intact

# **History and Historical Context**

The exact date of 'Robin Lodge', the two apartments at 126 Moreland Road, Brunswick is not known, however, title and rate information suggest that it was constructed in 1955-56 for James, Muriel and Ada Robinson who also owned the Victorian house next door at No. 124 (refer to separate citation in this Study). Plan of Subdivision No. 37117 (Date of Consent 30 April 1956) shows the original house at No. 124 (then numbered as 46A) and the new brick flats at 126 (46) The flats were duly recorded in the 1957-58 Brunswick rate book as owned by Ada Robinson, who retained ownership of the old house, which had also been divided into two flats.

It is likely that the name of the building, 'Robin Lodge', is derived from a diminutive of the owner's name at the time it was built.

SOURCES Certificate of Title Vol. 4221 Fol. 169

## Description

### **Physical Description**

Robin Lodge is a two storey cream brick 1950s duplex - with brown brick panels and painted rendered projecting banding - which stylistically appears to follow on from the 'International Style' hospitals and civic buildings which were being built in the 1940s. The stairwell is enclosed within a projecting wing at the front of the building, which has a flat roof. The flats behind have a hipped terracotta tiled roof and a cream brick chimney. Features include: double hung multipane sash windows which turn the corner of the building; circular detail window to the stairwell; and stylised lettering on the front façade reading 'ROBIN LODGE'. The building appears to retain its orginal front fence, which houses the letterboxes for the building.

#### **Physical Condition**

Good

### **Statement of Significance**

What is significant? 'Robin Lodge' at 126 Moreland Road, Brunswick.

How is it Significant? 'Robin Lodge', at 126 Moreland Road, Brunswick is of local aesthetic significance to the City of Moreland.

Why is it Significant?

Of aesthetic significance as a good and intact representative example of a 1950s apartment block with original detailing that illustrates the influence of the 'International Style'. (AHC Criterion E.1)

## **Recommendations 2004**

| External Paint Controls          | No              |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Internal Alteration Controls     | No              |
| Tree Controls                    | No              |
| Fences & Outbuildings            | Yes Front fence |
| Prohibited Uses May Be Permitted | -               |
| Incorporated Plan                | -               |
| Aboriginal Heritage Place        | -               |

#### **Other Recommendations**

Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review 2004: Add to HO - individual

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