

Heritage Citation



Corner Shop and original baker's oven

Key details

Addresses	At 366 Sandgate Road, Albion, Queensland 4010
Type of place	Shop/s
Period	Interwar 1919-1939
Style	Art Deco
Lot plan	L1_SP275679; L2_SP275679; L3_SP275679; L4_SP275679; L5_SP275679; L6_SP275679; L7_SP275679; L8_SP275679; L9_SP275679; L10_SP275679; L11_SP275679; L12_SP275679
Geolocation	-27.42886 153.042509
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 1 January 2004 Date of Citation — June 2011

People/associations John Reginald Cyril Blanche (Architect)

Criterion for listing (A) Historical; (D) Representative; (D) Representative

This interwar corner shop, along with a workshop and residence were built when Sandgate Road, Albion was becoming a popular commercial area. It is an excellent example of a type of development that was popular when residential and commercial functions commonly co-existed and remains as one of few corner shops with an original oven on the site.

History

In the 1920s and 1930s Albion experienced a significant growth period as the surrounding suburbs and those to the north expanded. Urban improvements were proceeding apace and in 1927-28 the Abbotsford Road Bridge replaced the inadequate bridge over Breakfast Creek at the Albion Fiveways to accommodate the increased road traffic arising from the suburban expansion to the north. The interwar years also saw the expansion or renovation of many of the commercial buildings in Albion, and the construction of a number of new blocks housing multiple shops.

In June 1933, Mrs Sarah Bock applied to Brisbane City Council to build a 'shop, dwelling and bakehouse' at the corner of old Sandgate Road and Birkbeck Street, Albion. Council approved her application as this section of Sandgate Road was developing as a shopping district.

The residential and commercial development was designed by John Reginald Cyril Blanche and cost £750. Blanche commenced his architectural profession in Melbourne and worked as the Chief Architect for the War Service Homes Commission, Queensland Branch from 1926-29. He practised privately in Queensland from 1931 and is known to have built two other houses in Brisbane.

It is likely that the buildings were completed in 1935/6 as Sarah Bock and her husband Herman moved from Paddington to Albion in 1936. In addition to the shop and residence, an oven was constructed at the rear of the premises, on the Birkbeck Street frontage of the property. They operated their pastry cooking business from these premises until 1944. The bakehouse and shop were then leased to other pastry cooks until 1949.

Kenneth William Bock inherited the property in 1950 and sold it in 1952. The complex is still registered as a dwelling and shop.

Statement of significance

Relevant assessment criteria

This is a place of local heritage significance and meets one or more of the local heritage criteria under the Heritage planning scheme policy of the *Brisbane City Plan 2014*. It is significant because:

Historical

CRITERION A

The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the city's or local area's history

as a manufacturing, retail and residential development that was built in the 1930s when Sandgate Road, Albion was changing from a residential to a commercial area.

Representative

CRITERION D

The place is important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a particular class or classes of cultural places

as a corner shop with an extant original baker's oven on site.

Representative

CRITERION D

The place is important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a particular class or classes of cultural places

as a 1930s corner pastry-maker's shop with associated oven.

References

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