

Heritage Citation



Health Clinic

Key details

Also known as	Health Care Centre
Addresses	At 171 Riding Road, Balmoral, Queensland 4171
Type of place	House, Clinic
Period	Interwar 1919-1939
Style	Queenslander
Lot plan	L1_SP224976; Common property_SP224977
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 1 July 2005 Date of Citation — August 2010
Construction	Roof: Corrugated iron; Walls: Timber

This large timber residence was constructed circa 1921 for Herbert Lyon and his wife Gertrude. In 1924, Dr. Antony St. Ledger and his wife Kathleen purchased the property and by 1925 had built a medical practice at the front of the block where Antony worked. In the early 1950s the property was sold and the house was converted into flats. The surgery was also extended at this time and appears to have remained in continuous use as a medical practice since 1925.

History

This house may have been built by the Lyon family circa 1921. Herbert James Edwin Lyon and his wife Gertrude Mary acquired title to the property in that year. James Lyon appears to have been living in the immediate vicinity since 1919.

In December 1924 Dr Antony Waddington St. Ledger and his wife Kathleen Josephine obtained the property, and St Ledger established his medical practice on-site. He had previously practiced at Cunnamulla. St Ledger remained in Bulimba until his death, although he had also established a medical practice on Wickham Tce by 1938. On the death of his wife in 1951 title passed to Dr I C Morrison and his wife Adelaide Mary.

The Morrisons converted the dwelling into flats but also organised an extension to the surgery in 1954. A carport was added in 1965.

The site appears to have been in continuous use as a medical practice since 1925.

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 evidence of the pattern of residential development in Balmoral in the early 1920s; and, as an early example of a suburban medical practice located directly within a residential area.

Representative

CRITERION D

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

as an example of a purpose-built suburban medical practice that has operated since 1925.

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