

Heritage Citation



Kilmorna

Key details

Addresses	At 257 Chatsworth Road, Coorparoo, Queensland 4151
Type of place	House
Period	Federation 1890-1914
Style	Queenslander
Lot plan	L2_RP83354
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 1 January 2004 Date of Citation — January 2015
Construction	Roof: Corrugated iron; Walls: Timber

Criterion for listing

(A) Historical; (H) Historical association

This graceful timber house was built circa. 1904 for solicitor and State parliamentarian, Reginald Macdonnell King and his wife Helena Maria King. Once situated on a much larger portion of land, with Chatsworth Road frontage, the house became the centre for many social events in the area in the early part of the twentieth century. Named 'Kilmorna', it is important in demonstrating Coorparoo's urban development in the early twentieth century.

History

Prominent civil servant Thomas Mulholland King, who lived at 'Erica' on Cavendish Rd, bought the property in 1885. The property was subdivided as part of the Cavendish Estate and Hugh Brennan acquired S.52 and 62 in 1891. The property had frontage to both Cavendish Rd and Beresford Tce.

Honoria Ferrier, widow of a Charleville station manager Walter Ferrier, acquired this property in 1901. Formerly a Hewson, she was one of a number of sisters who resided in or around Coorparoo. Her sister Francis Binstead (wife of George) resided nearby and it is possible Honoria and her daughters resided with her. In 1902 she left to run an exclusive boarding house known as 'The Pines' in Stanthorpe. In March 1906 Mrs Ferrier left Stanthorpe to return to Brisbane, where she took residence in this property, with the street address of Beresford Tce, Coorparoo. She married banker Murdoch Mackenzie in the same year and the couple remained in the house.

In 1914 the property was transferred to Honoria's sister Helena, wife of solicitor Reginald Macdonnell King. King had lived at nearby 'Kilmorna' in Beresford Tce and was the son of TM King who had originally subdivided the land. The Kings sold the property in 1922.

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

for the evidence it provides of the growth of urban development in Coorparoo during the early twentieth century.

Historical association

CRITERION H

The place has a special association with the life or work of a particular person, group or organization of importance in the city's or local area's history

as the home of State politician, Reginald Macdonnell King.

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