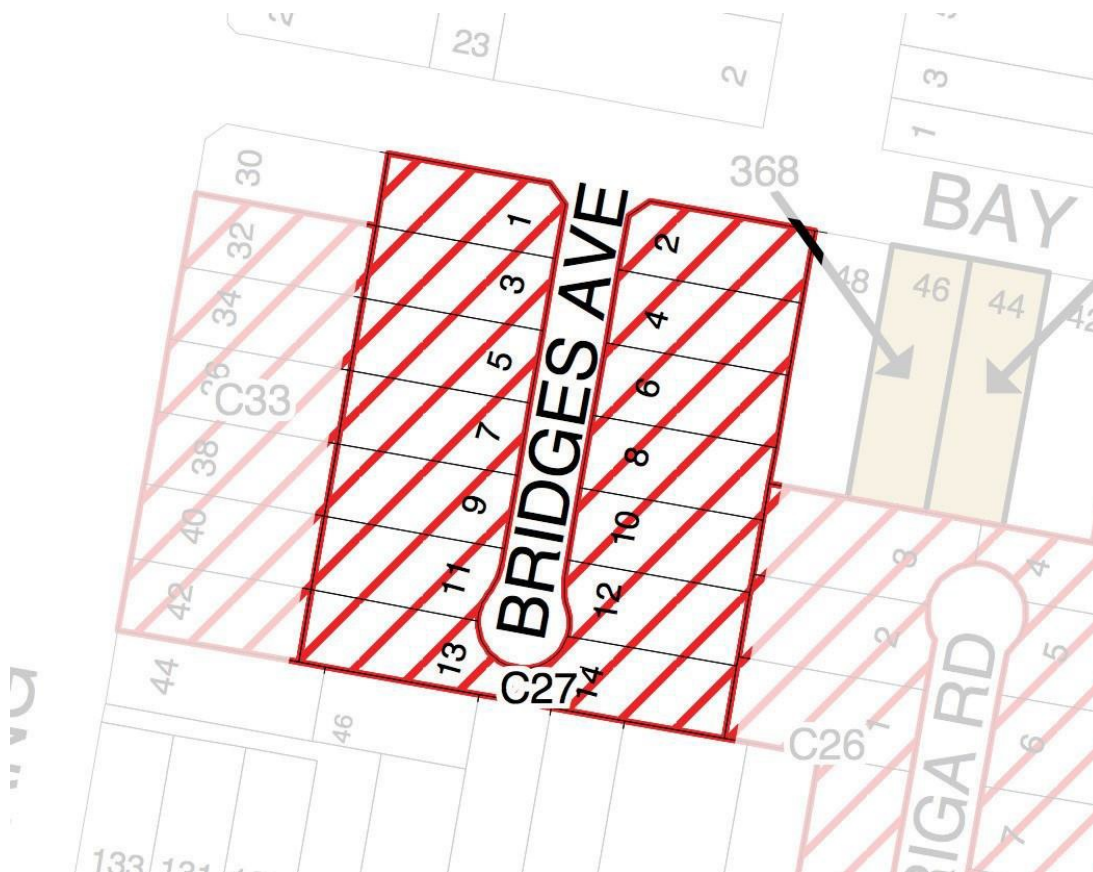


Heritage Conservation area



KEY PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1940S

HCA TYPE: SINGLE STOREY RESIDENTIAL (i) uniform single period subdivision
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Bridges Avenue Heritage Conservation Area is of *local* heritage significance.

The area is of *historical* significance as a 1936 subdivision of part of the Ashfield Park Estate, developed by a single builder/developer.

The area has *historical association* with the local builder/developer William Henly, responsible for the 1936 subdivision.

The area is of *aesthetic* significance as a consistent 1936-early 1940s development of single storey detached brick single storey Inter-war California Bungalow style housing within a distinctive cul-de-sac subdivision pattern.

KEY CHARACTER ELEMENTS

Subdivision and public domain elements:

- Distinctive cul-de-sac subdivision pattern of Bridges Avenue
- Narrow concrete footpaths without grassed verges or street tree planting

Elements that contribute to the consistency of the streetscape (visible from the public domain)

- Single storey detached brick Inter-war California Bungalow style houses with hipped and gabled terracotta tile roofs and other intact detailing from the period including to verandahs and gable ends.
- Consistent street setbacks
- Consistent inter-war period brick front fences
- Rear placement of garages (except for pair of garages to Nos. 13 and 14 at the end of the cul-de-sac)

NON-CONTRIBUTORY ELEMENTS

- Carports in front garden (at No. 3)
- Metal awnings over windows (No. 2)
- Later window alterations

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Bridges Avenue Heritage Conservation Area was once part of the Ashfield Park Estate fronting Church Street, one of the earliest streets in the area which led east towards St Johns Anglican Church Ashfield, the earliest church in the area.

This area was purchased for subdivision in 1936 by a Gladesville builder, William Henley, who presumably demolished the house 'Ecreap' which stood there. Bridges Avenue was formed and the land around it subdivided for suburban housing.

Henley's Bridges Avenue subdivision sold more slowly than the Lang Street development, the last building allotment being disposed of in 1940-41. By 1943 all 14 allotments in Bridges Avenue except for No. 13 Bridges Avenue had been built on with detached brick houses.



BUILDING RANKING DEFINITIONS

Building ranking No.	Building Ranking Definition
*	Heritage items: Buildings individually listed as heritage items in the LEP
1	Contributory 1: Buildings that clearly reflect the Key period of Significance for the HCA and are key elements of the character of the HCA
2	Contributory 2: Buildings that have been altered but are still identifiable as dating from the Key period of Significance for the HCA. They retain their overall form from the original date of construction and, even though altered, are contributory to the HCA character
3	Neutral: Buildings that are either heavily altered to an extent where the construction period is uncertain, or are from a construction period which falls outside the Key Period of Significance for the HCA, but which reflect the predominant scale and form of other buildings within the HCA, and therefore do not detract from the character of the HCA
4	Detracting: Buildings from a construction period which falls outside the Key Period of Significance for the HCA that have scale or form that is not consistent with the key characteristics of the area



Bridges Avenue

Street	Side	No	Rating	Name	Style/Observations
Bridges Avenue		2	2		
Bridges Avenue		4	1		
Bridges Avenue		6	1		
Bridges Avenue		8	1		
Bridges Avenue		10	1		
Bridges Avenue		12	1		
Bridges Avenue		14	1		
Bridges Avenue		13	1		
Bridges Avenue		11	1		
Bridges Avenue		9	1		
Bridges Avenue		7	1		
Bridges Avenue		5	1		
Bridges Avenue		3	1		
Bridges Avenue		1	2		



