



## Ashfield Heritage Study Review of Areas Zoned 2(a)

<b>Current Use</b> House, 115 Park Avenue	<b>Reference N°</b> 1 16 55
<b>Heritage Listing</b> Recommended	
<b>Themes : Local</b> Subdivision and consolidation	<b>Themes : State</b> Towns, suburbs and villages
<p><b>Historical Notes</b></p> <p>The land in this part of Ashfield had by about 1820 become the expansive Canterbury Park Estate founded by Robert Campbell. The Education Park Estate was established here and first offered for sale in 1882. This house was erected on Lot 19 of Section 1 (i e north side) of that estate. The first recorded owner of the land was William Jones, who in 1911 sold this allotment, unimproved, to Charles Tregonning for £79.(1)</p> <p>Tregonning must have had the house built in 1911, for in the following year he was recorded as the owner of the land and house, valued at £79 unimproved and £500 improved. Tregonning continued as occupier of the property until at least 1933.(2)</p>	
<p><b>Physical Description</b></p> <p>This house is one of a group of three of similar style and time. The building is L-shaped in plan, simplified Federation Queen Anne in style and in excellent condition. It has walls of red-brown brick, the facade being tuckpointed face work. The roof is terra cotta glazed tiles, with gablet ventilators at each end of the lateral ridge. The chimneys are also roughcast, with somewhat unusual moulded cornices and terra cotta pots. The verandah has decorative turned timber posts and mildly decorative valences. The side bay facing the street has a roughcast gable, a simple bargeboard and apex screen treatment, and a projecting window bay with a triple-light casement window and a bracketed timber-shingled skillion hood. The timber picket front fence is of more recent date but most appropriate in design.</p> <p>Internally the house has several rooms that have original detailing such as decorative plaster ceilings and cornices with Australian motifs, good fireplaces, and authentic joinery.</p>	
<p><b>Information Sources</b></p> <p>(1) Rate Book, South Ward, No 1518 for 1911. Ashfield Council Archives,  (2) Rate Book, ibid, No 1519 for 1912. <i>Sands Directories</i>.</p>	