Ashfield Heritage Study Inventory Sheets 2010

| Residence, 'Ka | aloola' | | | Reference N° 10/8 |
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| 17 Elizabeth S Ashfield | • | | 2131 | Land Title |
| Building | | | | Owner/s |
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| An interesting variation of the Queen Anne/California Bungalow form in Ashfield. The house pleasingly addresses its corner site and provides a kind of 'entrance' to the Oak Street Conservation Area, of which it is part. | | | | Condition as observed from street — Intact Minor alteration — Sympathetic Unsympathetic Major alteration — Sympathetic Major alteration — Unsympathetic Unsympathetic |
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| Current Use | | | Reference N° | | |
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| Residential | | | 10/8 | | |
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| Heritage Listing | Ashfield Local Environmental Plan 1985, Schedule 7 | | | | |
| Themes : Local | | Themes: State | | | |
| Subdivision and consolidation | | owns, suburbs and villages | | | |
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Historical Notes

Originally part of William Faithful's 1799 grant and of subsequent subdivisions, this site was owned in 1908 by John Adamson of North Sydney. In that year he sold it to Louisa Clack and it appears to have been she who had this house built in 1909. It first appears in the Ashfield rate books in 1910. Its earliest occupant, according to *Sands Directories*, was John Strickland in 1911, when the name 'Kaloola' was noted. When the property was purchased by Mrs N M Simmons in 1915 it was still being rented, and subsequent tenants included John McGibbon, Thomas Drummond, Thomas Macindoe and William Donnelly. Mrs Simmons was herself listed in *Sands* as occupier in 1933 and, by 1937, the property was owned by Ethel Mary Beardmore.(1) It was purchased from Mrs Beardmore's estate by Mrs Teresa Rochester in 1949. In 1955 the property changed hands twice: from Mrs Rochester to Thomas Cribbin and from him to Mr and Mrs Dennis Herbert and Eliza Beatrice Mackay. Its sale price was £5,675. The Mackays continued as owner-occupiers until at least 1961.(2)

This property is part of the Oak Street Conservation Area. It is ranked '1', which is defined as a building 'with a high degree of intactness which contributes significantly to the character of the area.'

Physical Description

A single-storey residence occupying a corner site, having prominent gable-roof forms clad in terra cotta. The main gable facing Elizabeth Street is tile-hung. From this projects a secondary but still prominent gable, finished in roughcast rendering with an apex strap-and-panel motif. A hipped skillion roof projects further forward, evidently originally a verandah but now having two three-light windows. The sill-height plinth of the front part of the house is rendered. The side walling facing Oak Street is face-work with a window-height band of dark bricks and a brick plinth marked by a course of dark squinches. There is a bull's-eye window beside the entrance. A third gable, facing Oak Street, has a window with a shallow arch that forms a continuation of the band, above which the gable is roughcast. The windows on this side have double-hung sashes, the upper one divided into three vertical panes. The roof eaves have exposed rafter feet. A low, simple brick fence is curved at the entrance gateway. The garden is simple, with one mature tree. There is a side driveway.

Information Sources

- (1) Mrs Simmons's address was given as 'c/o Mrs Clack, Gower Street', and it appears that Mrs Simmons had a life interest in H R Clack's estate.
- (2) These details are found in Ashfield Council rate books, in the Valuer-General's records in the Ashfield Council Archives, and in *Sands Directories*, for the quoted years. It should be noted that the street numbering changed in 1915 and the number 17 appeared for this house in 1917.
- (3) Ashfield Heritage Study 1992-93, vol 1.