# AD 2001 Ashfield Heritage Study Review of Areas Zoned 2(a)

Name of Item	House, one of a group of four adjacent houses				Reference N°
Other Names					2 23 10
Address	22 Webbs A	Avenue			Land Title
Locality	Ashfield		Postcode		
Item Type	Building				Owner/s
Group Name					
Statement of Significance					Condition as observed
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**Current Use** 

House, 22 Webbs Avenue, Ashfield, one of a group of four adjacent houses

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Heritage Listing Recommended

Themes: Local Themes: State

Subdivision and consolidation Towns, suburbs and villages

#### **Historical Notes**

This house was erected in 1927 by Basil Cook, owner-builder, of Croydon.(1) In 1928 Cook sold the property to Christine Hardor, telephonist, for £1,800. Its valuation was then £574 unimproved and £1,650 improved.(2) *Sands Directories* show the occupant as G H Hardor, which suggests that, as was often done, the property was bought by Hardor in the name of his wife.

For additional historical material, refer also to the Inventory sheet for the group.

#### **Physical Description**

These four houses form an ensemble exhibiting the variety of form and details which characterise the conservative version of the Inter-War California Bungalow style. They are traditional single-storeyed brick and gabled buildings, all elevated above the street.

No 22 is rendered up to floor level, above which there is brown brick face-work. The design comprises a broad main gable from which projects a secondary street-facing gabled bay, both bearing panel-and batten treatment, with a louvred ventilator in the main gable apex. The flat-roofed verandah projects forward of the side bay and is extended as a hood across its five-light leaded-glass bay window. The front door and sidelight are glazed with leaded panes and there is a pair of doors also opening on to the verandah. The balustrade rises to battered brick piers with rendered caps and exaggeratedly tapered square colonettes. The entrance steps have terrazzo treads and the verandah floor, like the path, is tesselated tiles. The simple front garden is enclosed by a brick pier-and-panel fence and mesh-and-curlicue gates.

### **Information Sources**

- (1) Building Application register, 1927, No 4417, in Ashfield Council Archives.
- (2) Valuer-General's records, North Ward, No 2689, ibid.