



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

<b>Current Use</b> House, 76 Holden Street, Ashfield, part of a group of six similar houses	<b>Reference N°</b> 1 08 50
<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>Information about the history of the group as a whole is given on the Inventory sheet for the group. This house was evidently erected in 1923. It was first occupied by William W Hilton, in 1924 and 1925, and thereafter by Mrs M J Cullen until at least 1933.(1) In 1928 the house was called 'Larna' and the owner-occupiers were recorded as the Misses Jean and Lila Cullen. The unimproved valuation was £440 and the improved valuation £1,550.(2)</p>	
<p><b>Physical Description</b></p> <p>Six almost identical California Bungalows, all substantially intact, are built with brown face brick fronts and common brick sides. Each has a broad full-width gable facing the street, with a projecting gabled wing at one side in which is a five-light window. The gables have panel-and-batten treatment and the main gable has a decorative vent. There is a deep verandah beside the projecting bay, floored with tessellated tiles, with brick balustrading and a single corner pier surmounted by triple short posts supporting the verandah roof. An unusual feature is that each front entrance is located at the inner corner of the verandah, in a canted wall, and a room with French doors opens on to the verandah. All houses have side driveways and curved front paths. The door and window lintels appear to be concrete.</p>	
<p><b>Information Sources</b></p> <p>(1) <i>Sands Directories</i>. There is a discrepancy in the records, for this property is included in the Valuer-General's records for the 1922-25 period (Item 914) as unimproved (Ashfield Council Archives).</p> <p>(2) Valuer-General's records, 1928, No 956, <i>ibid</i>.</p>	