

Statement of Significance: Aston Lodge, 42 Heyington Place, Toorak, October 2023

Heritage Place: Aston Lodge, Toorak	PS ref no: HO51
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What is significant?

The property at 42 Heyington Place, Toorak (otherwise known as 'Aston Lodge') is significant. The form, scale and detailing of the substantial Arts and Crafts Old English style house is of local significance, along with the original garage. The landscaping, pool and front fence are not significant.

How is it significant?

Aston Lodge is of local historical and aesthetic significance to the City of Stonnington.

Why is it significant?

Aston Lodge is of historical importance in demonstrating the development of early 20th century mansions and houses within the Toorak. The original garage is also historically important as demonstrating early 20th century parking facilities, during a time when the motor car was gaining popularity amongst the wealthy. (Criterion A)

Aston Lodge is aesthetically significant as an intact and visually distinct early 20th century Arts and Crafts Old English house designed by Cedric Ballantyne. Noted characteristics include the use of terracotta shingle tiles, the asymmetrical dogleg massing, decorative timber shingle cladding on the front façade, the use of leadlight and textured glass windows, and decorative rendered chimneys with precast cement arched cowls. All of these features work to produce a highly cohesive and unique example of an early interwar Arts and Crafts Old English style dwelling. (Criterion E)

Primary source

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