

## Statement of Significance: Clendon, 57 Clendon Road, Toorak (March 2022)

<b>Heritage Place:</b> Clendon, Toorak	<b>PS ref no:</b> HO761
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(Source: City of Stonnington, 2020)

### What is significant?

The property at 57 Clendon Road, Toorak (otherwise known as Clendon) is significant. Specifically, the scale, form and detailing of the Interwar Mediterranean Revival style house with Georgian derived elements is locally significant, as well as the original integrated carport, formal landscaping to the front setback and front boundary wall along Clendon Road. The garden shed and later alterations and additions to the property are not significant.

### How is it significant?

Clendon is of local aesthetic significance to the City of Stonnington, and is associated with the reputed Melbourne architect Rodney Aslop.

### Why is it significant?

Clendon is aesthetically significant as a highly intact and fine example of the Mediterranean Revival style house that incorporates a symmetrical Georgian Revival form, which is a combination of architectural styles that gives it a unique and distinct character. Key features contributing towards its aesthetic value include its formal site layout and formal landscaping, visually prominent brick arcaded loggia, incorporation of barley-sugar columns, as well as its use of red face brick and wrought iron detailing. (Criterion D)

Clendon has associative significance as a house designed by the reputed Melbourne architect Rodney Aslop. More commonly known for this Interwar Old English designs, the fusion of Mediterranean and Georgian Revival architectural styles at 57 Clendon Road is distinct from the majority of Aslop's designs. It demonstrates the evolution of Aslop's body of work and provides insight into the ways he was influenced by prevailing Mediterranean and Georgian Revival modes by the interwar period. (Criterion H)

### Primary source

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