# Statement of Significance: 6 Keeron Street, Caulfield South

**Date of Statement: August 2020** 

Address:	6 Keeron Street, Caulfield South	Name:	-
Place Type:	Residential building (private)	Grading:	Significant
PS ref no:	HO230	Constructed:	1971



Photograph by Built Heritage Pty Ltd, June 2019

### What is significant?

The house at 6 Keeron Street, Caulfield South, is a double-storey brick dwelling on an elongated stepped plan, with an asymmetrical skillion roofline and stark façade incorporating projecting half-round stairwell, tall chimney, strip windows and double garage with matching garden walls and a bluestone driveway. The house was erected in 1971 for an estate agent and his wife, and was designed by architects Andrew Reed & Associates.

The significant fabric is identified as the exterior of the entire house and garage, and the matching recycled brick garden walls and bluestone driveway.

#### How is it significant?

The house satisfies the following criteria for inclusion on the heritage overlay schedule to the City of Glen Eira planning scheme:

• Criterion E: Importance in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics.

#### Why is it significant?

The house is aesthetically significant as a distinctive example of residential architecture of the 1970s. A textbook example of the highly individualistic style adopted by architect Andrew Reed, the house deftly combines the bold sculptural expression of the Brutalist idiom (with its jagged roofline, half-round stairwell and slit windows) with an organic approach more commonly associated with the work of Alistair Knox (expressed here through a palette of earthy materials including second-hand bricks, stained timber and bluestone

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paving). Still occupied by the original owners at the time of writing, the house remains in a remarkably intact state. (*Criterion E*)

## **Primary sources**

Heritage Citation PW15, *City of Glen Eira Post-war & Hidden Gems Heritage Review 2020, Stage 2: Citations*, prepared by Built Heritage Pty Ltd.