

Descriptions of Pymble Urban Conservation Areas

UCA 17 – Pymble (East) – map available on FOKE web site

- The Pymble (East) Precinct consists of an area of single-storey and double-storey 1930s and 1940s houses. The uniform appearance of the area stems from its well established landscape.
- The centrepiece is the housing surrounding Robert Pymble Park. The houses and Park constitute an excellent example of good civic design. They are also excellent examples of individual houses of merit, including a Walter Burley Griffin-designed house on the corner of Telegraph and Road and Graham Avenue.
- Housing in the area consists predominantly of houses on medium to large-sized lots. There are few unsympathetic alterations or intrusions into the area.
- The precinct epitomises the area and era in both the excellent, intact nature of its houses, their gardens and street plantings.

The precinct is a cultural landscape comprising outstanding streetscapes that demonstrate the development of an early twentieth-century residential suburb. The large variety of Federation and Inter-War housing on medium to large lots is enhanced by a setting of remnant indigenous forest, exotic street plantings and a network of streets that continue to reflect the early subdivision and development of the area.

The development pattern provides evidence of the subdivision of the original land grants for residential development following the arrival of the North Shore Railway line in 1890. The predominance of Federation and Inter-War period housing reflects the two major phases of residential development that occurred in the 50-year period between 1890 and 1940.

The UCA contains aesthetically distinctive Inter-War period streetscapes that feature a general uniformity of building setbacks from the street, architectural styles, materials, colour and form. The established nature of the landscape and well-maintained gardens and street planting of indigenous and exotic trees contribute to a high level of streetscape integrity.

UCA 18 – Avon Road, Pymble – map available on FOKE web site

- The Avon Road, Pymble Precinct consists of an area of single-storey and double storey 1920s, 1930s and 1940s houses. The uniform appearance of the area stems from its well-established landscape. The centrepiece is the landscaping of Pymble Ladies College.
- Housing in the area consists predominantly of houses on medium to large-sized lots. There are few unsympathetic alterations or intrusions into the area.
- The precinct epitomises the area and era in both the excellent, intact nature of its houses, their gardens and street plantings.

The precinct is an area of three outstanding streetscapes, commenced in the Federation period, but mainly developed in the Inter-War period, within a landscape of dense vegetation and exotic street plantings.

The subdivision pattern provides evidence of the original land grants, and of the Federation-period residential development following the arrival of the North Shore Railway Line in 1890. Inter-War period housing predominates.

The UCA contains aesthetically distinctive streetscapes of mainly Inter-War period buildings that feature a general uniformity of setback from the street, architectural styles, materials, colour and form. They are enhanced by an established landscape of well maintained gardens and street plantings of indigenous and exotic tree and shrubs, which are incorporated into private front and rear yards which contributes to a high level of streetscape integrity. Of particular significance is the remnant stand of indigenous trees that provides a substantial canopy that extends from the Pacific Highway in a southerly direction along a creek line.