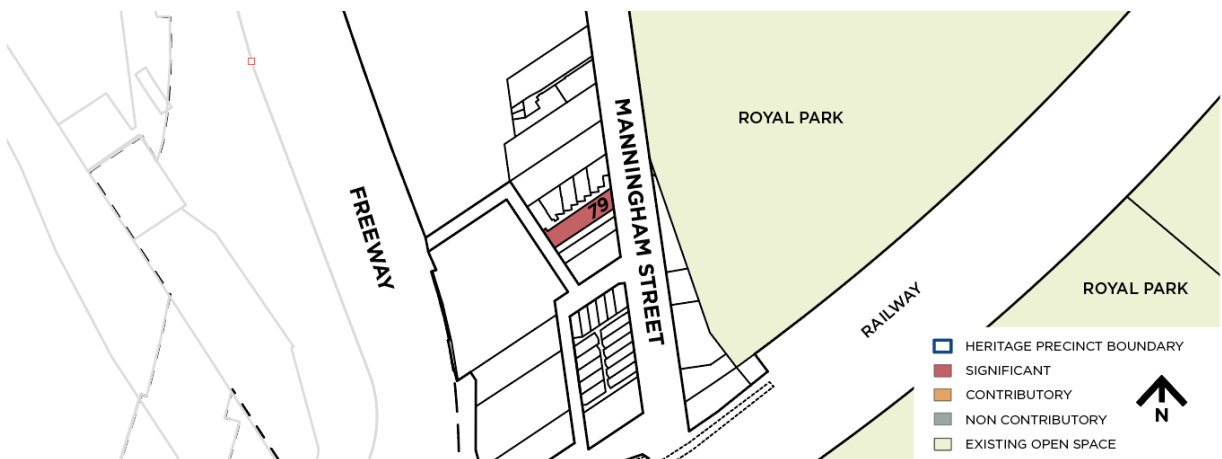


House, 79 Manningham Street, Parkville Statement of Significance (GML Heritage, September 2025)

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What is significant?

79 Manningham Street, Parkville, built in 1940–1942, is significant.

Elements that contribute to the significance of the place include the building's:

- original external form, including the prominent vertical volume massing; and

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- distinctive curved edges; and
- stair tower, balcony and fenestration; and
- window joinery and steel-framed windows; and
- reserved detailing, including unpainted brickwork and brown brick edging; and
- high level of integrity to its original design.

More recent alterations, including an addition to the rear of the property, the front timber fence and water tank, are not significant.

How is it significant?

79 Manningham Street, Parkville, is of local representative significance to the City of Melbourne.

Why is it significant?

The house at 79 Manningham Street, Parkville, is a highly intact, representative example of an individual house designed in the Moderne style. This is an unusual application of the Moderne style within the City of Melbourne, as the style was more commonly employed for flats, apartments and commercial buildings. The Moderne style is expressed through simple horizontal banded detailing, and an emphasis on vertical and horizontal geometric forms. However, the overall massing of the house predominantly emphasises vertical elements expressed through the vertical stair windows and curved corners, showcased in the curved parapeted form to the southeast corner and the cylindrical form of the projecting ground floor room that continues up to form a first-floor balcony. This is unusual for the Moderne style, and a response to the subject site's narrow suburban block. (Criterion D)

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