

'Round House', 15 Albert Terrace, Belmont Statement of Significance March 2026

Heritage Place: 'Round House', 15 Albert Terrace, Belmont	PS ref no: HO2065
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What is significant?

The Round House at 15 Albert Terrace, Belmont, is significant to the City of Greater Geelong. Elements of significance are:

- The residence.
- The setback from the street.
- Unpainted external brick surface.

Elements that are not significant are:

- The garden and landscaping.
- The rooftop solar panels and railing.
- The boundary fences.
- The side garage.

How is it significant?

The Round House is of aesthetic significance to the City of Greater Geelong, as well as being a rare example of its typology.

Why is it significant?

The Round House is significant to the City of Greater Geelong as a rare example of a circular mid-century modern residence, being the only example of a modernist round house present in the municipality. (Criterion B)

The Round House is of aesthetic significance to the City of Greater Geelong as a highly elaborate, intact and unorthodox example of a mid-century modern geometric residence. The circular double storey residence is terraced into the incline of the property and is a major landmark overlooking the Barwon River. Features which contribute to the building's aesthetic importance include: its round shape, double-storey scale and massing; reinforced concrete pilasters with orange brick masonry brick courses in stack bond, paired with concrete besser bricks; a projecting porch matching the curvature of the building, though of staggered height; multi-pane fenestration; and a flat roof with a projecting lantern. (Criterion E)

Primary sources

Round House, author: Benjamin Petkov, May 2025, peer reviewer: Mim Butcher, The Heritage Conservancy, May 2025.

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