NOMINATION TO THE ACT HERITAGE REGISTER

Please note that the information below represents indicative heritage values only, and not the views of the ACT Heritage Council (the Council).

This nomination is yet to be assessed by the Council against the heritage significance criteria established under the Heritage Act 2004.

Acceptance of a nomination is a preliminary, threshold step and ought not to be taken as indicative of any particular outcome concerning the Council's assessment of the nomination.

JERILDERIE COURT 17 ALLAMBEE STREET BLOCK 1, SECTION 9, REID

Jerilderie Court demonstrates a high level of creative achievement in its innovative approach to orientation and site planning exemplified by the orientation of the buildings to face north, at 45 degrees to the street frontage and the large, central shared garden and pedestrian space.

Jerilderie Court is a creative and appropriate solution to inner city medium density housing, and a demonstration of modern city living. Jerilderie Court is beautifully adapted to its site fronting Ainslie Avenue, and its central, shared garden is faithful to the Griffins' vision of the "garden city".

The ACT Chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects awarded Jerilderie Court with the C. S. Daley Medal in 1978, and the RAIA 25 Year Award in 2005.

Of particular significance is the way in which the whole development is integrated with its site. The built form and central landscaped space greatly adds to the amenity of residents and acts as a unifying element across the development.

Jerilderie Court reflects strongly the changing role of government housing in Canberra, and the growing recognition that the stock of public housing in Canberra was not fulfilling the needs of tenants who were increasingly poor, on social benefits. It responded to the changing profile of people in need of subsidised housing, grouping together a number of different housing types in a mixed public and private medium density development close to the city centre.

It was designed by internationally recognised and RAIA Gold Medalist (1984) architect Philip Cox. It is one of his early and formative works and a significant part of his architectural contribution to Canberra.