Register of Significant Twentieth Century Architecture

RSTCA No: R048

Name of Place: Captain James Cook Hotel

Other/Former Names:

Address/Location: Sturt Avenue NARRABUNDAH 2604

Block 2 Section 84 of Narrabundah

Listing Status: Registered Other Heritage Listings: Date of Listing: 1984 Level of Significance: Local Citation Revision No: Category: Residential/ Recreational Citation Revision Date: June 1987 Style: Post War Organic Date of Design: 1967 Designer: Enrico Taglietti Construction Period: Client/Owner/Lessee: 1968-69 Date of Additions: Builder: Mainline Constructions Pty Ltd

Statement of Significance

Significant example of the work of internationally recognised architect Enrico Taglietti. The building forms a pyramid, exhibits uniqueness and rareness, and is an advanced and innovative design solution for the hotel. The innovative design solution and siting of the building were to create a landmark or focal point at the junction of two major roads leaving Canberra. The building exhibits an unusual style of architecture, Taglietti's style.

Description

Condition and Integrity

The building has never been completed as originally designed and requires some maintenance internally.

Background/History

Analysis against the Criteria specified in Schedule 2 of the Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991

- (i) a place which demonstrates a high degree of technical and/or creative achievement, by showing qualities of innovation or departure or representing a new achievement of its time
- (ii) a place which exhibits outstanding design or aesthetic qualities valued by the community or a cultural group

- (iii) a place which demonstrates a distinctive way of life, taste, tradition, religion, land use, custom, process, design or function which is no longer practised, is in danger or being lost, or is of exceptional interest
- (iv) a place which is highly valued by the community or a cultural group for reasons of strong or special religious, spiritual, cultural, educational or social associations
- (v) a place which is the only known or only comparatively intact example of its type
- (vi) a place which is a notable example of a class of natural or cultural places or landscapes and which demonstrates the principal characteristics of that class
- (vii) a place which has strong or special associations with person, group, event, development or cultural phase which played a significant part in local or national history
- (xi) a place which demonstrates a likelihood of providing information which will contribute significantly to a wider understanding of natural or cultural history, by virtue of its use as a research site, teaching site, type locality or benchmark site

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Other Information Sources