

Victorian Heritage Database Report

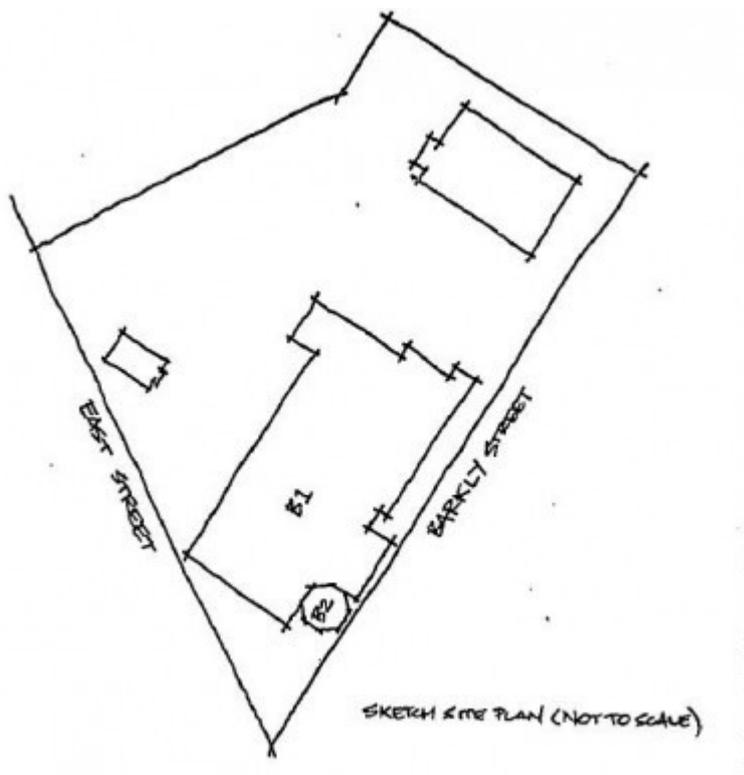
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BALLARAT EAST FIRE STATION



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Location

20-22 BARKLY STREET BALLARAT EAST, BALLARAT CITY

Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

Level of significance

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1001

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO11

VHR Registration

January 13, 1994

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 18, 2000

The Ballarat East Fire Brigade Tower, designed by prominent local architect Henry Caselli, was constructed in 1864 by William Cowland, builder, and brigade volunteer. Lack of funds prevented the Engine House from being constructed to Caselli's design, the existing Engine House officially opened in 1916, recalls the earlier structure (1858) which it replaced.

The Ballarat East Fire Station is historically significant as one of the few remaining examples of nineteenth century fire stations and is possibly the oldest in Victoria. Formed in 1856, the brigade was the first to be established in Ballarat, and was progressive in its use of new fire fighting technology being the first in Victoria to use a steam fire engine and install electric street fire alarms.

The Ballarat East Fire Station is of architectural significance demonstrating outstanding application of brick masonry as both a decorative and structural material in the octagonal tower in particular, with its combination of arcaded corbel tables and angled bricks. The tower in combination with the boldly articulated and complementary Engine House forms an unusual and sophisticated ensemble of buildings.

The Ballarat East Fire Station is of further historical significance in its ability to demonstrate the size and pre-eminence of the Ballarat region in the state of Victoria, East Ballarat forming one of its many suburbs until the early decades of the twentieth century.

Construction dates	1858,
Architect/Designer	Caselli, Henry R,

Heritage Act Categories Registered place,
Other Names FIRE TOWER,
Hermes Number 1441
Property Number

History

Associated People:

Extent of Registration

AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Under section 14 of the Historic Buildings Act 1981 the Governor in Council amends the the Register by adding Historic Building No.1001-

Ballarat East Fire Station,
22 Barkly Street, Ballarat,
City of Ballaarat

(To the extent of:

1. The whole of the buildings known as the engine house (B1), tower and belfry (B2), shown on Plan No. 600272(A), signed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.
2. All of the land marked L1 on Plan No. 600272(8), signed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council, being all of the land described in Certificate of Title Volume 3640 Folio 916.)

Dated 11 January 1994

Responsible Minister:
ROBERT MACLELLAN
Minister for Planning

KATHY WILSON
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council

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