
GEELONG GOVERNMENT IMMIGRATION DEPOT

Location

325-349 RYRIE STREET AND 27-33 SWANSTON STREET AND 2-18 PARK STREET AND 28-34 FITZROY STREET GEELONG, GREATER GEELONG CITY

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7721-0215

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 3, 2004

This site is significant as the only Immigration Depot identified. Immigration depots were essential services for new arrivals, providing accomodation and meals. Depots are important as the central landscape for newly arrived immigrants.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Heritage Victoria - Maritime Infrastructure Assessment Project, Heritage Victoria, 2005;
Interpretation of Site	Further investigation is needed to determine the origin of the current houses, but archaeological remains could be expected from previous uses of the site.
Hermes Number	111654
Property Number	

History

A Government Depot for Immigration is shown at the block bounded by Swanston, Little Mallop, Fitzroy and Ryrie Streets in 1854, and several cottages had already been built then (G80). By 1858 (G134), the area is marked as Immigration Depot, but after 1864 (G 285) no further mention of the depot appeared on any plan, and it appears that the land has been subdivided and sold.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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