
Shops, 131-133 Napier Street, ST ARNAUD



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Location

131-133 Napier Street ST ARNAUD, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 18, 2004

The brick shop building, 131-133 Napier Street, St. Arnaud, makes a significant architectural and visual contribution to the predominantly Victorian and Federation streetscape. This building has significance as an externally intact late 19th or early 20th century shop building.

The brick shop building is **historically** and **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with the commercial developments in St. Arnaud in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, and it demonstrates original design qualities of a Late Victorian/Federation commercial style. These qualities include the prominent two bayed brick parapet with crowning cement rendered shallow pediments, projecting parapet pilasters with stylised curved consoles (end pilasters only), projecting moulded parapet cornice and incised rectangular parapet signage panels adorned with corbelled dentillations along their upper reaches. Other intact qualities include the single storey height, skillion verandah, lapped galvanised corrugated iron verandah cladding, brick wall construction (but not

overpainting), unpainted brick chimney with multi-corbelled top, stop chamfered timber verandah columns, timber framed shopfronts with ingoes, panelled timber and glazed doors, transoms, glazed tile surrounds and the painted butchery signage on the side brick wall.

Overall, the brick shop building is of **LOCAL** significance.

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Physical Description 1

The brick shop building at 131-133 Napier Street, St. Arnaud, makes a significant architectural and visual contribution to the predominantly Victorian and Federation streetscape.

The single storey, brick (recent overpainting), Late Victorian/Federation commercial style building is characterised by a prominent two bayed brick parapet, crowned with cement rendered shallow pediments. The two bays are divided by projecting pilasters, with the end pilasters adorned with stylised curved consoles. The central pilaster is capped with a projecting moulded cornice that extends across the facade. The parapets are also adorned with incised rectangular signage panels with corbelled dentillations along their upper reaches.

An early/original skillion verandah projects towards the street and is clad by early lapped galvanised corrugated iron. The verandah is supported by stop chamfered columns, which rest on early pedestals. The columns are decorated with decorative timber brackets.

Under the verandah is the early timber framed shopfronts with ingoes. The panelled timber and glazed doors, transoms and glazed tile surrounds also appear to be early and substantially intact.

Other early features include the unpainted red brick chimney with multi-corbelled top at the rear of the building, and the painted butchery signage on the side brick wall.

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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