
582-606 COLLINS STREET

Location

581-606 COLLINS STREET MELBOURNE, MELBOURNE CITY

Municipality

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Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7822-2422

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The site is currently under demolition and is proposed for development but contained a four-level concrete and brick office building. It has no basement level but four stairwells and three lift wells. The site adjoins H7822-1688 (610 Collins Street).

The site contains three significant levels of historical occupation including the 1838-1848 Government Block which included the first surveyor's office, military barracks, guard room and police office. The first immigration depot occupied the site from 1848-1864 which comprised weatherboard structures with cooking and privy facilities.

The land was subdivided in 1864 and contained a timberyard from 1865 until 1880. Brick stores were constructed in 1880 and occupied the area until the current structure was constructed in the 1980s. Evidence from the Melbourne 'Buried Block' deep fills modelling suggests that deep fills may survive in part of the southern area of the site.

How is it significant?

The site is of archaeological and historical significance.

Why is it significant?

The site has the potential to contain intact historical archaeological deposits relating to the early government block (1838-1848) and the first gaol and immigration depot (1848-1864). Although there have been some impacts

from later phases of historical archaeological occupation, it is likely that there is substantial fill across the site.

Interpretation of Site Please refer to page 8 of supporting document.

Hermes Number 209648

Property Number

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