
Former London Chartered Bank of Australia



City of Darebin Heritage Review 2000



City of Darebin Heritage Review 2000 (map)
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Victorian Heritage Overlay Area

Location

342 High Street NORTHCOTE, Darebin City

Municipality

DAREBIN CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO97

Heritage Listing

Darebin City

Statement of Significance

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The former London Chartered Bank is of local architectural and historical significance. The building was designed by prominent architectural firm Oakden Addition & Kemp for the London Chartered Bank. The building is a substantially intact nineteenth century bank: designed in the High Italian Renaissance revival style, built during the boom period of the late 1880s and 90s. The building is a notable element of the local streetscape due to its fine detailing and large scale. The bank has served the local community over a long period of time.

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Physical Description 1

The former London Chartered Bank is a rendered building designed to the High Italian Renaissance Revival Style. The two-storey classical composition is divided into five bays, and comprises a rusticated ground floor superimposed by an arcaded first floor loggia. The ground floor has arched double hung sash windows. A panelled pedestal course rests on a bluestone plinth. Above the first floor entablature is a balustraded pedestal course. The central arched entrance is flanked by engaged Tuscan columns. A secondary entrance exists within one of the arched openings. The first floor arched openings are flanked by Corinthian pilasters which are coupled at each end of the elevation.

The arched openings are balustraded and have moulded architraves with keystones. The centre arch is flanked by engaged Corinthian columns supporting a pediment containing the Bank's crest. The spaces above the arches are embellished with pressed cement ornament.

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