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# ASCOT VALE RAILWAY STATION



Ascot Vale Railway Station.JPG

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## Location

91 NORTH STREET,, ASCOT VALE VIC 3032 - Property No 174722

## Municipality

MOONEE VALLEY CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO295

HO296

## Heritage Listing

Moonee Valley City

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## Statement of Significance

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The station is historically important as part of the original Melbourne to Essendon lines and also reflects the rapid urban sprawl of inner Melbourne approaching the boom years of 1880's.

It is one often surviving "Maldon Style" stations built around the state between 1887 and 1890. Its verandah and

wings are unique for this style. Although not entirely intact in plan and form, ample evidence of the Maldon Station Type in the main station building. It is one of ten in the State, built between 1887 and 1905 and one of three on the Broadmeadows line.

Construction dates 1889,

Architect/Designer Victorian Railways,

Hermes Number 27255

Property Number

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## Physical Description 1

Ascot Vale Station is located within a Late Victorian and Edwardian streetscape comprising of shops and offices. The station forms part of the Craigieburn line and approximately 6 km from the central business district of Melbourne.

The single storey red brick building on the Up (east) side of the line is built in Victorian Free Gothic and more specifically "Maldon Style". The parapeted gable forms a breakfront entrance providing access to the original platform. It is centrally located to the original "Maldon Style" building and features a quatrefoil and finial, has a corrugated iron hipped roof, while its additional wings both have flat roofs behind parapet walls.

Four pointed arch window openings are grouped in pairs on either side. Treatment of openings makes use of rendered dressings. A rendered strip course runs the perimeter of the building. The platform is protected by a hipped concave curved verandah clad in corrugated iron, supported on six cast iron columns with decorative capitals. Original cast iron railing still exists on the western ramp of the line. If any existed on the eastern side, it has been replaced by steel railing and metal latticed fencing.

Changes to the Up side building include partial blocking of window openings. A door on the facade of the of the north wing has been bricked in. Flush panel door reduced in width have replaced original double width doors. The original slate roof has been removed as has the chimney stack. Internally, the original men's toilets was converted to a parcel room; the general waiting room became the ladies waiting room/toilets and store.

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