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## Fmr Elsternwick Fire Station, 2-4 Selwyn Street



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### Location

2-4 Selwyn Street ELSTERNWICK, Glen Eira City

### Municipality

GLEN EIRA CITY

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO81

### Heritage Listing

Glen Eira City

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### Statement of Significance

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Heritage Study/Consultant	Glen Eira - Caulfield Conservation Study, Andrew Ward, Architectural Historian, 1994;
Other Names	Former Elsternwick Fire Station and quarters (1895-1926) and former "Esquire Motors",
Hermes Number	35204
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

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Carved tympana are contributory elements as is the Baroque influenced gable end to the entry whilst the use of banding shows Edwardian influenced. Gothic revival copings are in cast cement. Inside, the rooms have been renovated but retain original elements including timber lined ceiling with centre flower to front office and asphalt pavement to cart way.

## Physical Description 2

Condition: good

## Physical Description 3

Integrity: good

## Historical Australian Themes

Public Services: Metropolitan Fire Brigade

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