Cable Tram Engine House (former)

Location

253 Brunswick Road, Brunswick VIC 3056 - Property No 444

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO41

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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The former Brunswick Cable Tram Engine House is of metropolitan historical Significance. It is a fragment of the cable tram system (which as a whole is of national Significance) and reflects the importance of this transport system to the development of Brunswick. Architecturally, the Brunswick Engine House was of simpler design than many other Engine Houses in Melbourne, and in this sense is of less Significance than, say, the Fitzroy Engine House (cnr Nicholson and Gertrude Streets).

Heritage Study/Consultant Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999;

Hermes Number 59007

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Physical Description 1

The former Brunswick Cable Tram Engine House comprises two double storey hipped roof brick buildings. The Brunswick Road building has small window openings (some arched), two simple moulded string courses. Originally red brick in Flemish bond, with cream brick over arched windows with bluestone sills, and rendered keystones and string courses, the building on Brunswick Road has now been completely painted. Its chimney stack has been demolished.

The building is unrecognisable as an Engine House.

Key Architectural Elements: Single storey brick building with arched window openings

Conservation Guidelines: remove paint and signage from external walls

Principal Historic Themes: moving goods and peoplepublic transport system

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