
BRUNSWICK TECHNICAL SCHOOL (FORMER)

Location

49 Dawson Street, Brunswick VIC 3056 - Property No 5720

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO62

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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Brunswick Technical School is of local historical and social Significance. It was established in 1916, only six years after the 1910 Education Act, which legislated for the provision of technical schools. One of many technical schools established in industrial suburbs, it played a critical role in the education of apprentices for local industries. It was involved in the teaching of many industrial skills, including pottery, which was of particular relevance to Brunswick. The school was the oldest State secondary school in Brunswick. The school also derives Significance from its associations with Percy Everett, its first principal. Everett later became the influential Chief Architect of the Public Works Department.

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;
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Physical Description 1

The former Brunswick Technical School is a two and three storey brick building. The walls are of face red brick, and the gabled roof now clad in Zincalume decking. The building has a stepped front facade, with the central section rising to a triangular pediment with a narrow ventilating slot. Banks of timber-framed double-hung sash windows sit between brick piers. Beneath the parapet is a dentilated string course. A freestanding two storey building further east in Dawson Street (1939?) is of face brick with white-painted rendered parapet coping and windows dressings. The banks of timber-framed double-hung sash windows with fixed highlights are separated by highly abstracted filleted pilaster strips.

Key Architectural Elements: face red brick walls with brick parapet copings, window heads and sills
timber-framed windows between shallow brick pilaster strips

Conservation Guidelines: reinstate original roofing material
reinstall fences to original design(s)

Principal Historic Themes: provision of education

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