
Former Brunswick Cable Tram Engine House

Location

253 - 263 Brunswick Road,, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No B6409

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

State

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 14, 2004

Built in 1887, possibly to the design of Alexander Davidson, this former cable tram engine house is architecturally, historically and technologically significant at a State level as part of Melbourne's former cable tram system, the most extensive cable system in the world operated by a single authority, and for the building technology shown in providing the necessary large clearspan spaces. This technology is displayed by the elegant lightweight roof trusses and massive built-up riveted steel beams all supported by lead bearing brickwork. The extension has suffered a few changes, the most damaging to the polychrome and multi-material facade is the coat of paint.

Classified: 20/10/1993

Hermes Number 66179

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This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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