FORMER OMEO POST OFFICE

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former omeo post office front view

former omeo post office rear view sep1982

former omeo post office side wall jul1980

former omeo post office corner view oct1999

Location

155 DAY AVENUE OMEO, EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Municipality

EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Level of significance

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0650

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO230

VHR Registration

March 25, 1987

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 24, 1999

Omeo post office was constructed in 1890 to designs prepared by the Public Works Dept (the drawings were executed by A J MacDonald and authorised by JT Kelleher) it is a single storey post office with a partial lower ground floor level, originally consisting of a post office at the front and post master's residence of 3 bedrooms, lounge, hall, dining room, kitchen and bathroom at the rear. The building is considered to be significant as a fine example of Scottish baronial revival architecture as developed, purportedly by AJ MacDonald in the public works dept in the late 19th century. Other buildings claimed to be by this architect include the former south Yarra post office and the Bairnsdale and Yarram court houses. The style adopted contemporary ideals of an Australian nationalism as well as exhibition the influences of the Scottish baronial style and references to the American Romanesque. The building includes several interesting original internal
elements most notably the pair of arches framing the main counter.

Permit Exemptions

General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must notify the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions here.

Construction dates	1890,
Architect/Designer	Macdonald AJ,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,

Hermes Number	893
Property Number	

Extent of Registration

AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS
Historic Building No. 650 - Former Post Office, Day Avenue, Omeo (to the extent of the whole of the building and the whole of the land Certificate of Title Vol. 5784 Fol 770).
[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. G12 25 March 1987 p. 674]

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.

For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/