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#### Location

21 Napier Street ST ARNAUD, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

#### Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

#### **Heritage Listing**

Northern Grampians Shire

### Statement of Significance

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The shop building at 21 Napier Street, St. Arnaud, makes a significant architectural contribution to the predominantly Victorian and Federation streetscape. Although the exact date of construction for this building is not known, the design suggests that it was constructed in the early 20th century. For many years from the c.1935, and possibly earlier, the Chinese immigrant Louie Hoe and later his son, Wai, conducted a mixed business there. The front exterior of the building appears to be reasonably intact.

The shop building at 21 Napier Street is **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It demonstrates original or appropriate commercial design qualities for the early 20th century. These qualities include the three-bayed white rendered brick parapet with regularly spaced projecting piers and pilasters having concrete cappings. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the curved projecting capping supported by stylised rectangular consoles in the central bay, rectangular sill with small brackets that support the middle pilasters, incised rectilinear panels on the

pilasters, bullnosed verandah clad in galvanised corrugated iron, metal framed and glazed shopfront with ingo, timber framed and glazed door and tile surrounds.

The shop building at 21 Napier Street is **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with commercial developments in St. Arnaud in the early 20th century. It is also particularly associated with the Chinese immigrant Louie Hoe and later his son, Wai, who conducted a mixed business there for many years from the c.1935, and possibly earlier.

Overall, the shop building at 21 Napier Street, St. Arnaud, is of LOCAL significance.

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## **Physical Description 1**

The shop at 21 Napier Street, St. Arnaud, makes an important architectural contribution to the predominantly Victorian and Federation streetscape.

The single storey, rendered brick commercial building is dominated by a three-bayed white rendered brick parapet with regularly spaced projecting piers and pilasters having concrete cappings. The central bay has a curved projecting capping supported by stylised rectangular consoles. The middle pilasters are supported on a rectangular sill with small brackets below. Both the middle and end pilasters have incised rectilinear panels.

Projecting below the parapet is an early bullnosed verandah clad in galvanised corrugated iron. It is supported by introduced square timber posts and is adorned with cast iron brackets and valance that may have been introduced.

The metal framed and glazed shopfront with ingo appears to be early, and has an early timber framed and glazed door and blue tile surrounds.

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