
Two storey building, 78 Napier Street, ST ARNAUD



SD 164 - Two-storey building
- 'Radford Solicitors', 78
Napier Street, ST ARNAUD

Location

78 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

Last updated on - August 18, 2004

The building at 78 Napier Street, St. Arnaud, makes a significant architectural and visual contribution to the predominantly Victorian and Federation streetscape. Constructed in 1936 for H.W. Dunkley, solicitor, to a design by the Ballarat architects, Clegg and Morrow, the restrained interwar modern Renaissance styled building is largely intact from the exterior.

The building is **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It demonstrates original design qualities of a restrained interwar modern Renaissance style. These qualities include the plain moulded parapet between flanking streamlined piers with stepped Art Deco-like caps. Other intact qualities include the two storey height, rendered brick wall construction, 12 paned steel framed hopper sash window crowned by a simple and flat stylised pediment, incised bands and streamlined rectilinear consoles below the window, cantilevered verandah,

timber framed shopfront with timber and glazed door and highlight at one side.

The building is **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with commercial developments in St. Arnaud in the interwar period of the twentieth century. It is particularly associated with H.W Dunkley, Solicitor and has been occupied by solicitors since construction. Furthermore it is associated with Ballarat architects Clegg and Morrow.

Overall, the building at 78 Napier Street, St. Arnaud is of **LOCAL** significance.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Northern Grampians - Shire of Northern Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage Study, Wendy Jacobs, Vicki Johnson, David Rowe, Phil Taylor, 2004;
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Physical Description 1

The Radford Solicitors building, Napier Street, St. Arnaud, makes an important architectural and visual contribution to the predominantly Victorian and Federation streetscape.

The two storey, rendered brick, restrained interwar modern Renaissance styled commercial building is characterised by a plain moulded parapet between flanking streamlined piers with stepped Art Deco-like caps. A 12 paned steel framed hopper sash window is a feature of the upper storey facade, and is crowned by a simple and flat stylised pediment. Below the window are incised bands and streamlined rectilinear consoles.

A cantilevered verandah separates the first from the ground floor. The ground floor has an early timber framed shopfront with timber and glazed door and highlight at one side.

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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