# **ALBERT PARK RAILWAY STATION COMPLEX**



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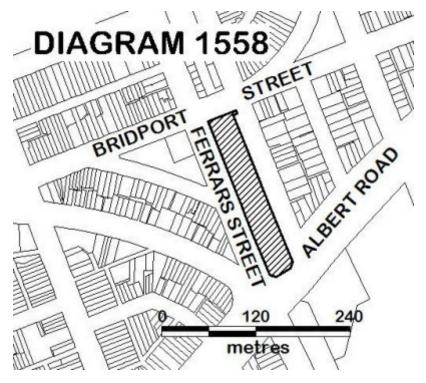


Diagram 1558.JPG

## Location

365 FERRARS STREET SOUTH MELBOURNE, PORT PHILLIP CITY

# Municipality

PORT PHILLIP CITY

# Level of significance

Registered

# Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1558

# **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO119

## **VHR Registration**

August 20, 1982

## **Amendment to Registration**

February 11, 2016

### **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Register

#### Statement of Significance

Last updated on -

#### What is significant?

Albert Park Railway Station Complex, erected in 1888-1889, consists of a pair of buildings constructed of polychromatic brickwork and detailed in Italianate styling. The east building is characterised by heavily bracketed eaves, coupled chimneys, an extremely fine cast iron fanlight to the booking hall, and an elegant concave verandah supported on cast iron Corinthian style columns. The west building has a large cantilevered open truss verandah and red brick walls into which are set contrasting bricks.

The building fell out of use when the train line from Melbourne to St Kilda was closed, however it was reopened when the train line was replaced with a light rail system.

#### How is it significant?

Albert Park Railway Station Complex is of architectural and historical significance to the State of Victoria.

#### Why is it significant?

Albert Park Railway Station Complex is historically significant for its association with Melbourne's second earliest railway line established in 1857 which connected Melbourne to St Kilda through Albert Park. The building is also important for demonstrating the rapid expansion of suburban Melbourne in the 1880s due to the prosperity from the discovery of gold.

Albert Park Railway Station Complex is architecturally significant as a fine example of Italianate style architecture applied to railway buildings. The pair of buildings are also of interest for their prominent siting along Ferrars Street and Ferrars Place.

[Online Data Upgrade Project October 2003]

## **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 <u>notify</u> 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.

#### **Specific Exemptions:**

General Conditions: 1. All exempted alterations are to be planned and carried out in a manner which prevents damage to the fabric of the registered place or object. General Conditions: 2. Should it become apparent during further inspection or the carrying out of works that original or previously hidden or inaccessible details of the place or object are revealed which relate to the significance of the place or object, then the exemption covering such works shall cease and Heritage Victoria shall be notified as soon as possible. Note: All archaeological places have the potential to contain significant sub-surface artefacts and other remains. In most cases it will be necessary to obtain approval from the Executive Director, Heritage Victoria before the undertaking any works that have a significant sub-surface component.

General Conditions: 3. If there is a conservation policy and plan all works shall be in accordance with it. Note:A Conservation Management Plan or a Heritage Action Plan provides guidance for the management of the heritage values associated with the site. It may not be necessary to obtain a heritage permit for certain works specified in the management plan.

General Conditions: 4. Nothing in this determination prevents the Executive Director from amending or rescinding all or any of the permit exemptions. General Conditions: 5. Nothing in this determination exempts owners or their agents from the responsibility to seek relevant planning or building permits from the responsible authorities where applicable. Minor Works: Note: Any Minor Works that in the opinion of the Executive Director will not adversely affect the heritage significance of the place may be exempt from the permit requirements of the Heritage Act. A person proposing to undertake minor works must submit a proposal to the Executive Director. If the Executive Director is satisfied that the proposed works will not adversely affect the heritage values of the site, the applicant may be exempted from the requirement to obtain a heritage permit. If an applicant is uncertain whether a heritage permit is required, it is recommended that the permits co-ordinator be contacted.

Construction dates 1888,

Heritage Act Categories Registered place,

Hermes Number 12

**Property Number** 

## **History**

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The draft statement of significance and the above history were produced as part of an Online Data Upgrade Project 2003. Sources were as follows:

# Victoria's Railway Stations: An Architectural Survey, Andrew Ward City of South Melbourne Urban Conservation Study, 1987

## **Extent of Registration**

#### NOTICE OF REGISTRATION

As Executive Director for the purpose of the **Heritage Act 1995**, I give notice under section 46 that the Victorian Heritage Register is amended by modifying the following places in the Heritage Register:

Number: H1558

Category: Heritage Place

Place: Albert Park Railway Station Complex

365 Ferrars Street South Melbourne Port Phillip City

All of the place shown hatched on Diagram 1558 encompassing all of Lot 1 on Title Plan 840741.

TIM SMITH Executive Director

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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.

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