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## Location

159 Burke Road, GLEN IRIS VIC 3146 - Property No 5999

## Municipality

STONNINGTON CITY

## Level of significance

Incl in HO area Significant

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO353

## Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

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## Statement of Significance

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*Part of the Central Park Shopping Centre Precinct*

The Central Park shops were established to cater mainly for the needs of local residents in this rapidly developing East Malvern area, but also for visitors to Central Park. The Wattleree Road tram had a direct impact on the development of the area, and in particular the establishment of the shops.

The Central Park shops are of social significance as they play an important role in the community and in their relationship to the adjacent tram line and Central Park. In their context, they illustrate the typical early twentieth century interdependence between the development of suburban housing, recreation facilities, public transport and the smaller shopping strip.

The precinct is important for the degree to which it retains its building stock, scale and general character from the 1910s, 1920s and 1930s, undiluted by more recent development. It is a fine and representative exemplar of typical suburban commercial properties of these decades. The location of the precinct, intermediate between Central Park and the Gascoigne, Ranfurly, Hedgeley Dene and Valentine Estates, adds to its importance, and renders it crucial to an appreciation of the development of these significant contingent areas.

*(Bryce Raworth Pty Ltd 1998)*

Heritage Study/Consultant	Stonnington - City of Stonnington - Heritage Precincts - Intact Shop Fronts Survey 2011, Context P/L, 2011;
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## Physical Description 1

"This trio of shops in multi-coloured brick is an example of the inroads of European Modernism into Melbourne's retail districts. Its plain facade is highlighted by two narrow pilasters which divide the facade into three bays. Each bay retains its original metal windows with narrow horizontal glazing bars and decorative treatments in polychrome brickwork. At ground floor level, the shops show differing degrees of modification. No 163 appears to be substantially intact with its original shop front and an unusual window treatment above, in place. No 161 is less complete although it has also retained its windows above the shop front. No 159 has been extensively modified. Undated building plan No. 2706 is held in the Malvern Building Plan."

## Shopfront

Intact elements: Metal frames, ribbed glass highlights, pressed metal soffit to verandah.

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