
Deaking University Waterfront Campus - Former Dalgety & Co Woolstore

Location

1-11 Gheringhap Street, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 213812

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1638

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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NOTE: Additional Heritage citation exists for 98 Western Beach as part of the Woolstores Complex.

Statement of Significance

The Gheringhap Street and western portion of the Brougham Street facades (and the spaces within) of the Deakin University Waterfront Campus, 1-11 Gheringhap Street, Geelong, has significance as a legacy of the former Dalgety and Company Limited woolstores constructed in 1891, 1929 and 1940 respectively. The complex as a whole has experienced substantial change in the late 1990s and now serves as a University Campus.

The Gheringhap Street and western portion of the Brougham Street facades (and the spaces within) of the Deakin University Waterfront Campus are architecturally significant at a LOCAL level. Although altered, they still demonstrate important design qualities associated with the late 19th and early 20th century Dalgety and Company Limited Woolstores. These qualities include the face red brick rectilinear wall planes terminating as rudimentary parapets, four-storey height, grid-like composition with the rectangular window bays separated by plain face brick pilasters and the rendered stringcourse above. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the

galvanised steel rainheads and downpipes, rendered lintels above the first and second floor windows, rendered and scrolled Gheringhap Street parapet with the painted title of "Dalgety and Company Limited" and flanking rendered panels with projecting rams heads, five bayed composition below the scrolled parapet with three central bays punctuated by narrow brick pilasters forming tripartite windows, and a central double doorway with panelled timber doors, rectangular window openings, "Dalgety Company Limited" painted signage on the parapets flanking the rendered and scrolled parapet and facing Brougham Street, saw-toothed roof construction behind the and the northern section of the Gheringhap Street facade. The architectural significance of this building also relies on the retention of the remaining parts of the woolstores complex.

The Gheringhap Street and western portion of the Brougham Street facades (and spaces within) of the Deakin University Waterfront Campus are historically significant at a LOCAL level. They are associated with the development of the Dalgety and Company Limited woolstores from 1891, 1929 and 1940. Parts of the building also have associations with the Geelong architectural firm of Laird and Barlow, and later, Buchan Laird and Buchan.

Overall, the Gheringhap Street and western portion of the Brougham Street facades (and spaces within) are of LOCAL significance.

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Heritage Act Categories Registered place,

Hermes Number 183553

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Physical Description 1

Description

The Gheringhap Street and western portion of the Brougham Street facades (and the spaces within) of the Deakin University Waterfront Campus (formerly Dalgety and Co. Woolstore), 1-11 Gheringhap Street, Geelong, is characterised by large face red brick rectilinear wall planes terminating as rudimentary parapets, with introduced panelled upper walls behind. The four-storey building has a grid-like composition with the rectangular window bays separated by plain face brick pilasters with a rendered stringcourse above. Introduced galvanised steel rainheads and rectangular downpipes provide further vertical articulation to the facade, while rendered lintels above the first and second floor windows accentuate the horizontality of the design. This component of the building forms part of a much larger unpainted brick woolstores complex constructed between 1891 and 1954.

An early feature of the design is the rendered and scrolled parapet above the entrance into the Great Hall. The face of the parapet also contains the early painted title of "Dalgety and Company Limited", which is flanked by

early rendered panels with projecting rams heads. Below the parapet is a five bayed composition have three central bays punctuated by narrow brick pilasters forming tripartite windows, and a central double doorway with panelled timber doors on the ground floor.

Other early features of the design include the window openings (but not the powder-coated aluminium framed windows with tinted glazing) and the "Dalgety Company Limited" painted signage on the parapets flanking the rendered and scrolled parapet and facing Brougham Street. The saw-toothed roof construction behind the northern section of the Gheringhap Street facade also contributes to the significance of the place. The raised wall cladding and roof now comprising the Great Hall within has also been introduced.

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