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# T & G Building and Clock including interior



T & G Building & Clock - 157 Moorabool Street, Geelong

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## Location

157-161 Moorabool Street, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 322839

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1637

HO245

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Geelong regional headquarters of the Temperance and General Life Assurance Society were erected in 1920 to design by noted Melbourne Architects A & K Henderson. The Geelong building, of 5 storey brick and steel construction with cement rendered facade and stepped clock tower is based upon the modern office tower formula developed in America and is a city landmark. The Mercantile clock is a renowned tourist attraction. The T & G building is one of a number of small scale versions of the Collins Street headquarters' throughout Victoria with a distinct corporate image in the architecture of the tower.

**RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES:**

Geelong Regional Commission Register

**REFERENCES**

B Trethowan - "A Study of Banks in Victoria 1851-1939" prepared for the Historic Buildings Preservation council 1976.

Description of work of architect Anketell Henderson "City of Geelong Rate Book 1920". Temperance and General Life Assurance Ltd. Brick 2 Storey partly built AAV 300 ?37.10.3.

Architects drawings in collection of PS Staughton, Warrandyte.

Files and contract documents relating to practice of A.& K. Henderson I La Trobe Library Collection, Melbourne

**STYLE OF PERIOD:** Modern

**ARCHITECT(S)/DESIGN ORIGIN** A & K Henderson Ref: Trethowan

**DATES OF CONSTRUCTION:** 1920 - "City of Geelong Rate Book 1920"

**SUBSEQUENT WORKS/ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS:**

The T & G Building is externally intact.

**OTHER NOTES:** The clock was installed in 1934 and the two figures symbolise the fusion of urban and rural interest in the Geelong Region.

Heritage Act Categories Registered place,

Hermes Number 19961

Property Number

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