H.M. Training Prison, former

Location

202 Myers Street, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 297843

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0991

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO143

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Geelong Gaol, a brick and bluestone construction, erected in 1849 and 1864 is the oldest, continuously inhabited penal building in Victoria and an outstanding work of Colonial Clerk of Works, Henry Ginn. The complex is most notable for the precise and traditional plan layout finely detailed and crafted masonry cell blocks and Italianate style entrance gates and governor's house. The buildings are representative of the style of institutional architecture of the Victorian colony prior to , and after separation in 1851.

The penal complex was erected by a variety of contractors assisted by prison labour.

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Hermes Number	21729
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