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# "Armytage house"

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## Location

263 Pakington Street, NEWTOWN VIC 3220 - Property No 298697

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0405

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1623

HO96

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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A Listed - State Significance

'Armytage House' formerly 'The Hermitage' a two storey Barrabool freestone ashlar and basalt rubble mansion was upon completion in 1860 one the finest colonial regency style mansion houses in Victoria. The Ionic portico and exquisitely proportioned, encircling wrought iron verandah is the most distinctive feature of this mansion, which is undoubtedly Edward Prowse's most impressive work. The mansion has considerable and important historical associations, firstly with the Armytage family, and finally with the Geelong C.E.G.G.S (1905-1973)

## POLICY/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Geelong Regional Commission Register

Historic Buildings Council Register

Australian Heritage Commission Register of the National Estate.

## REFERENCES

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, Allan Willingham, 1986; Greater Geelong - City of Newtown Urban Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1991; Greater Geelong - City of Newtown Urban Conservation Study, Richard Peterson, 1997; |
| Heritage Act Categories   | Registered place,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Hermes Number             | 21747                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Property Number           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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