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Location

141-143 Nelson Place WILLIAMSTOWN, Hobsons Bay City

Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO217

Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The shops and residences, constructed in 1873, at 141-143 Nelson Place, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

The shops and residences at 141-43 Nelson Place, Williamstown are of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, they demonstrate the development of Nelson Place during the latter part of the nineteenth century when it was the main commercial centre of Williamstown. They are also important for its associations with the locally prominent Henry Douch and No 141 is also of interest for its early use as a bank. (AHC criteria A4 and G1)

Aesthetically, they are an identifiably early and simply formulated design which is near original and possesses valuable details (shop fronts) and a rare carriageway. (AHC criteria B.2, E1 and F1)

Heritage Study/Consultant Hobsons Bay - Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Hobsons Bay City Council, 2006;

Hermes Number 22197

Property Number

Physical Description 1

A two-storeyed parapeted and stuccoed shop and residence pair with symmetrical architraved fenestration, timber shop fronts and a covered carriageway to the north. The segment arched windows, string moulds and cornice lines match those of 145-147 Nelson Place (also a Douch property) (q.v.) as do the paired brackets, to the single pilaster at the south end, which support a block and a parapet urn above. Smooth stuccoing of the chimney shafts indicates an original face-brick form.

The street verandah has been removed.

Integrity

External Integrity and condition

Integrity - Moderate. *Condition* - Good.

Physical Description 2

Context

An identifiably early and contributory part of the Nelson Place precinct.

Historical Australian Themes

Developing local, regional and national economies, Marketing & retailing

Physical Description 3

Associations

Henry Douch, Michael Egan.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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