Seaholme Railway Station Complex and Trees



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Location

Station Street SEAHOLME, Hobsons Bay City

Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO273

Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The Seaholme Railway Station complex, comprising the station buildings and platform constructed in 1921 and the related mature trees including Canary Island Palms, Figs and Flowering Gums, at Station Street, Seaholme.

How is it Significant?

The Seaholme Railway Station complex is of local historic, social and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is significant for its strong associations with the revival of the Altona Beach Estate in the Interwar period and the development of new facilities by Victorian Railways to serve the growing population in this area. (AHC criterion A4 and H1)

Socially, it is significant for its strong associations with the development of the Altona and Seaholme communities as one of the oldest public buildings in this area and a public gathering place for nearly 80 years. (AHC criterion G1)

Aesthetically, it is significant as an intact inter-war weatherboard station complex, which is enhanced by its mature and related landscape setting, which features a significant group of Canary Island Palms. (AHC criteria B2 and E1)

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

Architect/Designer Victorian Railways,

Hermes Number 22254

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The Seaholme railway station complex comprises a gabled weatherboard early twentieth century station building with timber verandah, and timber platform edging. A distinctive grove of Canary Island palms provide an appropriate and related landscape setting. The palms are grouped mainly on the north side of the tracks but there are also specimens to the south. There are also fig trees, flowering gums, and later native planting.

Integrity

External Condition

Good

External Integrity

High

Physical Description 2

Context

Set in an inter-war and later residential domain, with a small commercial area nearby.

Historical Australian Themes

Moving goods and people by rail

Physical Description 3

Associations

Altona Bay Estate Co., Victorian Railways

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