

SHOPS



City of Darebin Heritage Review 2000



City of Darebin Heritage Review 2000 (map)
Map Ref:
NEST within Heritage Overlay Area.

Location

711 and 715 High Street THORNBURY, Darebin City

Municipality

DAREBIN CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO136

Heritage Listing

Darebin City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The shops at 711 and 715 High Street, Thornbury, constructed by 1906 for Samuel Millsom. The richly decorated parapets are the principal elements contributing to the significance of the place.

How is it significant?

The shops at 711 and 715 High Street, Thornbury are of local aesthetic significance to Darebin City.

Why is it significant?

They are aesthetically significant (Criterion E) as commercial buildings of the Post Federation years demonstrating through their architectural style the nature of development sustained by High Street at that time and being locally unique for their identical and unusual Art Nouveaux spandrels terminated at either end by Arts and Crafts pilasters. Whilst being expressive of the new age, the spandrels appear also to have their roots in contemporary American work including that of the celebrated architect Louis H. Sullivan. Locally, this ornamentation compares with examples at the Glenferrie Market Buildings, Glenferrie Road, Hawthorn; 82 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne (Nahum Barnet 1914) and Flinders Street station (J.W. Fawcett and H.P.C. Ashworth, Victorian Railways Department 1901-11).

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Property Number

Physical Description 1

A pair of identical single storeyed shops separated by a non-contributory recent shop. The north and south shops demonstrate Arts and Crafts influence in their pilaster configuration whilst the parapet ornamentation has unusual Art Nouveaux foliated ornamentation in cast cement surmounting a rough cast spandrel in the case of no. 713 and later sheet metal with no. 715.

Integrity

Condition: sound. Integrity; Medium to Low. The presumed original centre shop has been demolished, the surviving shops have later shop fronts and cantilevered verandahs.

Historical Australian Themes

Thematic Context

4. Building settlements, towns and cities (Thornbury).

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