
Graham Campbell Ferrum



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Ferum, 260 Geelong Road,
West Footscray.JPG

Location

260 Geelong Road, FOOTSCRAY WEST VIC 3012 - Property No 5063000600

Municipality

MARIBYRNONG CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO128

Heritage Listing

Maribyrnong City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - February 28, 2000

The Graham Campbell Ferrum foundry is of historical significance to the city as one of the oldest operating and major foundries in the region. It was the largest private jobbing foundry in the western region in the early 20th century.

The foundry complex demonstrates the relationship of office, foundry and sheds and demonstrates the industry

and the type of work undertaken on the site. The complex is a dominant feature of the Geelong Road streetscape and is part of a group of important moderne and other styled mid 20th century industrial complexes along Geelong Road. The contributory buildings are the office block and the main foundry shed.

Statement of Significance from the Incorporated plan: *Graham Campbell Ferrum, 260 Geelong Road, West Footscray: Ho128 Incorporated Plan.*

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Maribyrnong - Maribyrnong Heritage Review, Jill Barnard, Graeme Butler, Francine Gilfedder & Gary Vines, 2000; |
| Construction dates | 1920, |
| Hermes Number | 28369 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

The large foundry is constructed of an iron frame and corrugated galvanised iron cladding, forming an L-shaped structure with open sides and gabled roof ends facing Geelong Road and Geelong Street. Semi-circular roof-ridge vents identify the major foundry buildings, while smaller storage wings have simple pitched roofs without vents.

The story office block facing Geelong Road features a bichrome brick facade of cream and manganese bricks.

An open yard adjacent to the foundry is used for mould box storage.

The site is visually dominated by the foundry building. Passers by on Geelong Road can still see the decades old painted signage on the foundry gable and a view into the open ended building to the travelling crane and supports inside.

Physical Description 2

Context: One of a number of Moderne and other styled mid 20th century industrial complexes along Geelong Road and in the West Footscray/Brooklyn vicinity.

Historical Australian Themes

Thematic context

Australian Principal Theme Manufacturing and Processing

PAHT Subtheme: Manufacturing and Processing

Local Theme Industry Consolidation

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