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## Bank (former)



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### Location

153 High Street, HEATHCOTE VIC 3523 - Property No 204236

### Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

### Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO771

### Heritage Listing

Greater Bendigo City

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### Statement of Significance

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*What is significant?*

The former State Bank, 151 - 153 High Street, Heathcote, including all the fabric of the 1912 red brick building is significant. The single storey brick building at the rear is also of significance, however the side extension and the timber outbuilding are not.

*How is it significant?*

The former State Bank, 151 - 153 High Street, Heathcote is of local historic, and aesthetic significance to the City

of Greater Bendigo.

*Why is it significant?*

The former State Bank, which opened in Heathcote in 1912 is of historic significance for its association with the commercial area of High Street, and more generally with the commercial activity of the locality. The bank is also evidence of the expansionary period of the newly formed State Savings Bank which was formalized by legislation the same year as the Heathcote branch opened. *Criterion A*

The former State Bank is architecturally significant as illustrative of the two storey cubic form, common to commercial banks, although the design is quite advanced for 1912. The building's facade is designed in a stripped classical manner with emphasis on the corner entrance. The windows, arranged in threes, have concrete lintels, and the upper floor window above the door has some banding to the lintel. The former State bank building is aesthetically a prominent element in the High Street streetscape. *Criterion D*

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Bendigo - Former Shires of Mclvor and Strathfieldsaye Heritage Study, Context P/L, 2008;
Construction dates	1912,
Other Names	State Bank of Victoria (former), State Savings Bank (former), Commonwealth Bank of Australia (former),
Hermes Number	32792
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## Physical Description 1

The former bank at 151-153 High Street adopts the two storey cubic form common to commercial banks. It is designed in a stripped classical manner with emphasis on the corner entrance. The windows to the front elevation are arranged in threes, and there are solid horizontal lines expressed in the concrete lintels. The upper floor window above the door has some banding to the lintel, however this is the only instance of this feature. The eaves line extends wide at the front, extending from the steeply pitched terra cotta tiled roof. The former State Bank is architecturally advanced for its construction date of 1912.

Additions to the side fronted by a brick wall to the street are not of interest. The single storey brick residence with terra cotta tile roof at the rear is contemporary with the two storey wing, and is of interest. The timber outbuilding is not of interest.

## Physical Conditions

Good

## Integrity

High

## Historical Australian Themes

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