Caulfield Railway Station Complex



Caulfield Railway Station, platform 1, August 1995



Caulfield Railway Station platform 2 and 3, August 1995



Caulfield Railway Station platform 4, August 1995



Caulfield Railway Station stores building, August 1995

Location

Normanby Road and Sir John Monash Drive CAULFIELD NORTH, GLEN EIRA CITY

Municipality

GLEN EIRA CITY

Level of significance

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Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1665

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HO78

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Statement of Significance

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The Caulfield rail station complex of 4 platforms, plus horse platform, and 3 principal buildings is a substantial brick and stuccoed complex erected 1913-14 to a design for which the chief architect of the Victorian Way and Works Branch, J.W. Hardy, had responsibility.

It is aesthetically important as an imposing Neo-Baroque complex, comparable with Glenferrie, Auburn and Spotswood stations and is an important example of the work of J.W. Hardy.

The horse platform, though physically undistinguished, is a rare structure of its type whilst the complex is socially important for it~ role as a point of arrival and departure for patrons of the Caulfield racecourse. The demolition of the station master's lookout detracts from the complex' cultural values.

Heritage Glen Eira - Caulfield Conservation Study, Andrew Ward, Architectural Historian,

Study/Consultant 1994;

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Physical Description 1

A complex of 4 platforms with central island platform having 3 substantial Classical Revival red brick and stuccoed buildings serving each platform and interlinked with a subway and ramps. The main island platform (Nos. 2 and 3) has an extensive canopy area with lobby (altered), ticket office and toilets.

Booking windows, presently out of use, with office are situated in the subway.

A detached stores building is situated at the east end.

The northern platform (No.4) building accommodates the lobby, office, parcels office, waiting area and toilets and has a cantilevered verandah. The southern platform (No.1) building is distinguished by its slate hipped roof and large colonnaded waiting area, presumably planned to accommodate the racecourse traffic generated by the Caulfield racecourse opposite. The verandah is, cantilevered.

The buildings. are in the conservative Neo Baroque mode incorporating pedimented motifs in stucco to the parapets, stuccoed banding and Tuscan capitals to the island platform verandah columns.

Arts and Crafts influence is evident in the chimney stack treatments and half timbering in the gable ends

Historical Australian Themes

Public Services: Railways and Caulfield's post Fede~ation suburban expansion

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