Fmr Elsternwick Post Office, 296-298 Glen Huntly Rd & 1A Riddell Parade



Former Post Office, 296-98 Glen Huntly Rd Elsternwick, August 1994

Location

296-298 Glen Huntly Road and 1A Riddell Parade ELSTERNWICK, Glen Eira City

Municipality GLEN EIRA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0640

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO29

Heritage Listing

Glen Eira City

Statement of Significance

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The Elsternwick post office recalls the stylistic freedom of the post Wardell years in the Public Works Department and is an intact and superior essay in the Elizabethan style, comparable with Kew and Queenscliff (facade defaced). It is a prominent building in the Elsternwick Commercial Centre and is associated with the adjoining Rifle Club and Park, demonstrating the public uses given to this land which had been reserved from sale for railway purposes

Heritage Study/Consultant	Glen Eira - Caulfield Conservation Study, Andrew Ward, Architectural Historian, 1994;
Other Names	Former Post Office,
Hermes Number	43631
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Physical Description 1

An imposing former post office showing Elizabethan influence in black tuckpointed red brickwork with cement enrichment. The facade has a projecting lower level with symmetrical corner entries in the manner of post and telegraph offices with a central window to the former public.

A pedimented balcony over provides the setting for the upper level which reinforces the motifs used in the enrichment of the lower level. Break fronted treatment is repeated on the side elevation, facing Riddell Pde which has a set back former residential entry to the quarters which .have been rebuilt to serve as office space.

Physical Description 2

Integrity: Good, additions at rear.

Physical Description 3

Condition: Good

Historical Australian Themes

Public Services: Post and telegraph.

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