
Tram Verandah Shelter



Tram Shelter Corner
Balaclava & Orrong
Roads Caulfield

Location

Corner Balaclava and Orrong Roads CAULFIELD, Glen Eira City

Municipality

GLEN EIRA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0174

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO05

Heritage Listing

Glen Eira City

Statement of Significance

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The Balaclava Road tramway shelter, known as a rest verandah at the time of its construction, is presumed to have been built with the opening of the East Malvern Darling Road route by the Prahran and Malvern Tramways

Trust on 11th of April, 1913.

L.J. Flanagan, chief architect for the Trust, is presumed to have been responsible for its design. It is historically, aesthetically and socially significant.

It is historically significant, (Criterion A) as one of a group of three similar structures on the former Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust system recalling not only the existence of this authority as a tramway operator prior to the formation of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board in 1919 but also the earliest days in the provision of electric tramway services in Melbourne's eastern suburbs. It is aesthetically significant (Criterion E) as a rare structure of its type, comparing with the Arts and Crafts influenced timber shelters of later date and surviving today as the only cast iron posted street verandah in the Municipality, the cast iron frieze and ornamental columns and spandrels being representative of their period and complemented by the timber seat also characteristic of pre Second World War practice. It is socially significant (Criterion G) for its capacity to demonstrate an aspect of the early history of Melbourne's electric tramway system which has become a symbol of this City and valued by its citizens.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Glen Eira - Caulfield Conservation Study, Andrew Ward, Architectural Historian, 1994;
Other Names	(East Malvern Darling Road tram route No.3),
Hermes Number	43733
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

An early cast iron and timber posted rest verandah having cast iron column supports at the kerb line, timber posts at the rear and a shallow lean-to roof. There is a cast iron lace frieze above the iron columns, angle iron roof frame and ripple iron rear wall lining with recent timber seats which are replicas of the surviving seats at the similar shelter in Cotham Road, Kew.

Physical Description 2

Condition: Good

Physical Description 3

Integrity: good

Historical Australian Themes

Public Services: Caulfield electric tramways

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