
City of Brunswick Electricity Supply Substation (former)



2A Walker Street, Brunswick

Location

2A WALKER STREET, BRUNSWICK WEST, MORELAND CITY

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO600

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 17, 2023

What is significant?

The City of Brunswick Electricity Supply transformer station (former) located at the corner of Hunter and Walker Streets, West Brunswick.

How is it significant?

The City of Brunswick Electricity Supply transformer station (former) located at the corner of Hunter and Walker Streets, Brunswick is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Merri-bek.

Why is it significant?

Of historical significance as a representative example of an intact and functioning part of the infrastructure supplying Brunswick with electricity since c.1914. It demonstrates the important role of local Councils in the supply and distribution of electricity in the period prior to the formation of the SEC in 1918. (AHC Criteria B.2 & F.1)

Of aesthetic significance as a representative and intact example of a public utility building that assists in demonstrating the range of architectural styles used in the construction of substations and similar buildings in Brunswick, and regionally, across Melbourne. (AHC Criterion E.1)

This electricity substation forms part of the Brunswick Electricity Supply Electricity Substations serial listing - Hermes No. 206422. Please refer to the serial listing citation for the statement of significance for the serial listing.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Moreland Heritage Nominations Study, Extent Heritage, 2022;
Other Names	Citipower substation,
Hermes Number	58001
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The Brunswick Electricity Supply transformer station (former) at the corner of Hunter and Walker Streets, West Brunswick is built of painted cement block sitting on a bluestone base. It has a simple hip roof clad in painted galvanised iron, with a square bellcast tower ventilated by louvres, and capped with a circular roof.

Physical Conditions

Good

2A Walker Street is in good condition, with some weathering of the timber on the underside of the eaves, evidence of a small area affected by rising damp on the eastern facade. Picturesque deciduous creepers are marking the paint but no evidence of damage to render.

Integrity

Minor Modifications

2A Walker Street has had recent roof plumbing installed. It retains high integrity overall.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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