
Victoria Barracks - A Block



B1255 Victoria Barracks A
Block

Location

St Kilda Road, SOUTHBANK VIC 3006 - Property No B1255

Municipality

MELBOURNE CITY

Level of significance

Regional

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - October 25, 2004

'A' block was erected between 1860-67 as barracks accommodation for officers of the British Army 40th regiment. The design was done by Public Works Department architect, Gustav Joachimi. The building is the most important of the 19th century barracks complex as it was the centre of defence headquarters administration in Australia from 1860-1960. It houses the famous conference room used as Australia's War Cabinet during WW2. 'A' block is of architectural interest due to its formal, axially arranged design in the conservative Italianate tradition and is also one of the most important architectural works of Gustav Joachimi.

The classification covers the whole block and it is to be noted that the north wing is a later addition but marries well with the earlier work.

Classified: 29/10/1971

See also Files No 1253 C Block, 1254 F Block, 2 950 G Block, 203 J Block, 204 The Keep. Also File No 1999 Cannon

Hermes Number 65629

Property Number

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