Former Yarraville Woollen Mills



B6269 Yarraville Woollen Mills

Location

2 Banool Avenue,, YARRAVILLE VIC 3013 - Property No B6269

Municipality

MARIBYRNONG CITY

Level of significance

National

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

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The Melbourne Woollen Mills/Morlynn Insulators site is significant as a rare and substantially intact example of mid nineteenth century industrial building specifically adapted to the needs of a woollen mill.

The building is historically significant as one of the earliest woollen mills in Australia, the first woollen mill in Melbourne and for its association with the prominent mill builders and managers Edwin and Walter Gaunt. It is also important as an early example of recycling of an industrial building for other uses, in this case, its conversion to a pottery in 1889, and as a major manufacturer of porcelain insulators in the late nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

The building is architecturally signficant for the use of ashlar bluestone masonry featuring prominent string courses and pilasters and arched openings with quoin-work of projecting, drafted-edge bluestone blocks and decorated keystones. The bulding may also be the earliest surviving example of the sawtooth roof form in Victoria.

Classified: 20/11/1991

Other Names Melbourne Pottery Company, Morlynn Ceramics Pty Ltd, Australian Porcelain Insulator Company,

Hermes Number 66067

Property Number

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