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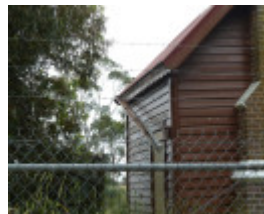
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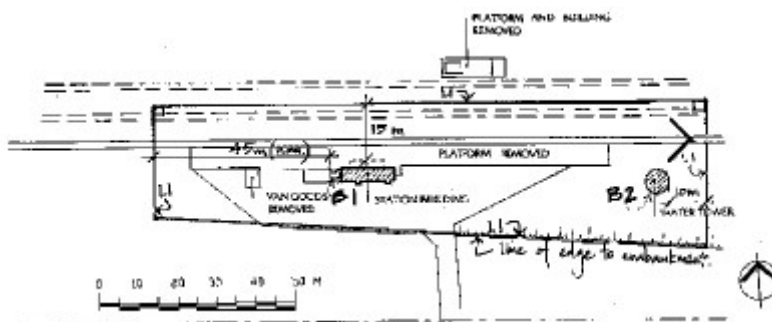
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piron yallock railway station plan

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## Location

2 STATION ROAD PIRRON YALLOCK, COLAC OTWAY SHIRE

## Municipality

COLAC OTWAY SHIRE

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1584

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO225

## VHR Registration

August 20, 1982

## Amendment to Registration

July 20, 2000

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 2, 2000

What is significant?

The Pirron Yallock Railway Station Complex was constructed in 1894 by F Holyoake on the Camperdown-Geelong Line, for the Victorian Railways. It consists of a small timber station building, which is symmetrical in form. It features distinctive scalloped weatherboards to the facades, and gambrel roofs balancing the central waiting area, which is protected by extended eaves carried on decorated brackets. The goods shed, platforms, van goods shed and cart dock have all been removed, while the water tower remains. The station has been closed and the station building has been seriously vandalised.

How is it significant?

Pirron Yallock Railway Station Complex is historically and architecturally significant to the State of Victoria

Why is it significant?

The Pirron Yallock Railway Station building is architecturally significant as a unique and essentially intact (albeit damaged) timber station building employing the gambrel roof form. It serves as a key contributor to the character of the former Port Fairy railway line. Pirron Yallock Railway Station building is also significant as a unique example of the 'Ringwood' style of station buildings, serving as a key contributor to the development of this typological group. (Beeston, 1995)

Pirron Yallock Railway Station is historically significant as an example of a less elaborate station built by the Railways Department during the economic depression of the 1890s.  
The water tower is historically significant for its associations with the former steam railway era. (Beeston, 1995)

## Permit Exemptions

### General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

**Places of worship:** In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must [notify](#) the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

**Subdivision/consolidation:** Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

### Specific Exemptions:

#### General Conditions

1. All alterations are to be planned and carried out in a manner that prevents damage to the fabric of the registered place or object.
2. Should it become apparent during further inspection or the carrying out of alterations that original or previously hidden or inaccessible details of the place or object are revealed which relate to the significance of the place or object, then the exemption covering such alteration shall cease and the Executive Director shall be notified as soon as possible.
3. If there is a conservation policy and plan approved by the Executive Director, all works shall be in accordance with it.
4. Nothing in this declaration prevents the Executive Director from amending or rescinding all or any of the permit exemptions.
5. Nothing in this declaration exempts owners or their agents from the responsibility to seek relevant planning or building permits from the responsible authority where applicable.

\* All basic refurbishment works including repairs to buildings and structures, where works are documented and administered by a recognised conservation consultant

\* Installation of perimeter fencing

\* Installation of new landscaping features but excluding earthworks where more than 1m<sup>3</sup> of ground is to be altered

#### Station Buildings

##### Exterior

\* Replacement of decayed fabric with fabric that matches the original design and profile.

\* Installation of new but not removal of existing original significant signage.

\* Installation of temporary protective hoardings, screens and the like for the protection against intrusion of

vandals and the like provided that no damage is sustained to significant fabric.

\* Installation of new damp proofing and making good to match existing, adjacent surfaces.

#### Interior

\* Interior painting but not stripping of existing paint scheme

\* Installation of new but not removal of existing original significant carpets/flexible floor coverings

\* Installation of new but not removal of existing original significant fixtures and fittings, including clocks, soft furnishings including curtain tracks, rods, blinds and other window dressings, and the like.

\* Installation of new but not the removal of existing original significant signage

\* Installation of new partitions provided that no damage is sustained to significant fabric

\* Replacement of non-original kitchen and toilet fixtures provided that no damage is sustained to significant fabric

\* Installation of insulation to ceiling spaces

\* Installation of hooks, nails and other devices for the hanging of paintings, mirrors and other wall mounted works of art.

Construction dates 1894,

Heritage Act Categories Registered place,

Hermes Number 924

Property Number

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## History

Pirron Yallock Railway Station is historically significant as an example of a station designed and constructed during the economic depression of the 1890s. In 1892, Act no. 1250 was passed as a means of closer examination and control on the activities of Railway commissioners and spending. The Railways Department reduced their expenditure on railway capital works and, as a result, station buildings became less elaborate than the previous 'Speight' era (Harrigan, 1962).

The water tower is historically significant for its associations with the former steam railway era. (Beeston, 1995)

## Extent of Registration

1. All of the buildings known as the Pirron Yallock Railway Station Complex, including the station building (B1), and water tower, as marked on plan 606244 held by the Executive Director.

2. All of the land surrounding the station buildings marked L1 on plan 606244 held by the Executive Director, being part of Crown Land vested in Victorian Rail Track.

*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.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*