

# PORT MELBOURNE COURT HOUSE, POLICE STATION AND LOCK-UP



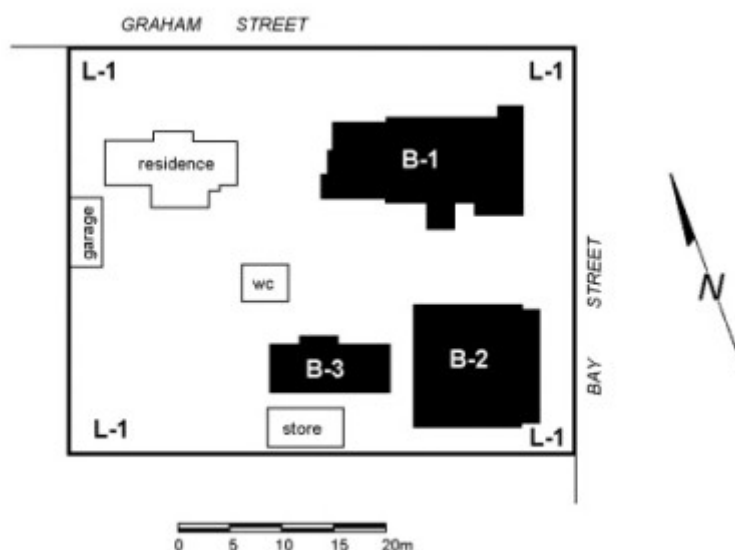
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## Location

113-119 AND 111 BAY STREET AND GRAHAM STREET PORT MELBOURNE, PORT PHILLIP CITY

## Municipality

PORT PHILLIP CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## **Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number**

H1318

## **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO40

## **VHR Registration**

August 20, 1982

## **Amendment to Registration**

October 12, 1988

## **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Register

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## **Statement of Significance**

Last updated on - May 13, 1999

What is significant?

The Port Melbourne Court House, Police Station and Lock-up were built in the early 1860s on land set aside for a watch house. The cream and red brick court house was designed by important Public Works Department architect JJ Clark. It is not known who in the Public Works Department designed the two storey red brick police station or the bluestone, three cell lock-up. The complex was added to the Register of Government Buildings in 1982. The buildings are no longer used for their original purposes. The court house was converted for use by the Anglican Church in 1991.

How is it significant?

The Port Melbourne Court House, Police Station and Lock-up are of architectural, historical and social significance to the State of Victoria.

Why is it significant?

The Port Melbourne Court House, Police Station and Lock-up are of architectural, historical and social significance as a fine example of a police and justice precinct. The siting on a prominent corner is indicative of the social importance of this group of public buildings within what was once the premier port city of Victoria. The buildings are excellent examples of the work of the Public Works Department with the courthouse of particular note as the work of JJ Clark whose most notable work is the old Treasury Building.

The three-cell bluestone lock-up is historically significant as a rare survivor in the metropolitan context. The high degree of physical intactness of the buildings adds to their importance.

## **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:

Nil

Construction dates	1860,
Architect/Designer	Clark, John James,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Other Names	LOCKUP, LOCK UP,
Hermes Number	928
Property Number	

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### Extent of Registration

1. All the buildings known as the Port Melbourne Courthouse, Police Station and Lock-Up marked B1, B2 and B3 on Diagram 602036 held by the Executive Director.
2. All the land marked L1 on Diagram 602036 held by the Executive Director being all the land reserved for police purposes.

*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/>