
Newtown Fire Station (former)

Location

271a Pakington Street, NEWTOWN VIC 3220 - Property No 311268

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1623

HO145

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on -

B Listed - Regional Significance

The Newtown and Chilwell Fire Station was established in 1859 and operated from weatherboard premises in Pakington Street until 1884 when the structure was removed and a new brick fire station and tower was erected. Local municipal surveyor and architect, RS Tufts, designed the original poly-chromatic brick building in a Lombardic Romanesque style and Charles Mills was the builder. The tower is a noted local landmark and unfortunately the strong brickwork patterns have been painted out. The buildings have interesting association with the fire brigade history in Geelong.

RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Geelong Regional Commission Register.

REFERENCES

CS Walker - The Earlier Days of Newtown and Chilwell, 1958, p.35. Description of Newtown Fire Station.

WR Brownhill - The History of Geelong and Corio Bay.

Wilke and Co Ltd, Melbourne, 1855, o249 - description of Newtown Fire Station - discrepancy in contract price ?325.

G. Seaton - The Ashby Story - A History of Geelong West.

1978 Adams Printers P/L Geelong, p. 144.

RS Tuff was surveyor for Borough of Geelong West from 1896-1908.

Geelong Advertiser -

15 January, 1884, report of resolution of fire brigade to build a new brick fire station for Newtown and Chilwell Fire Brigade.

15 January, 1884, renders for removal of wooden building.

19 January, 1884, tender for erection of a new building for Newtown and Chilwell Fire Brigade - RS Tuffs, Architect.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, Allan Willingham, 1986; Greater Geelong - City of Newtown Urban Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1991; Greater Geelong - City of Newtown Urban Conservation Study, Richard Peterson, 1997;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	21936
Property Number	

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