
Dempsters



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Location

222-228 Gray St HAMILTON, Southern Grampians Shire

Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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SIGNIFICANCE: Excellent integrity including the interiors, the building complements the others built in Gray Street in the 1930s.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Dempster's

222-228 Gray Street

This building was constructed in 1939 or earlier. ([i]) It has local significance for the architectural interest of its significantly intact shopfronts and interiors and for its historical associations with Mr J A Dempster, storekeeper. ([ii]) It is quite likely that he was related to Mr E C Dempster, pharmacist and Hamilton Mayor. ([iii]) There were

additions made to Dempster's Store in 1958. It is now vacant but retains its integrity and is in good condition. The architect is not known and was probably not Seabrook and Fildes but the shops were probably built by Reg Williams who was a prolific builder at the time. The shops complement the many other buildings constructed in the commercial part of Gray Street between the wars.

[i] HSA DP No. 163-165. House connection for J A Dempster, 24 February 1939.

[ii] Ibid.

[iii] Garden, Don, *Hamilton*, pp 241, 243. They may have been father and son.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - City of Hamilton Conservation Study, Timothy Hubbard with Carlotta Kellaway & Michael Looker (plus Francis Punch), 1991;
Construction dates	1939, 1958,
Architect/Designer	Seabrook & Fildes,
Hermes Number	26506
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

MATERIALS:

Roof: corr'ed iron

Walls: brick

Dressings:

Plinth: blue glazed tiles

Windows: nickle plate glass

Paving: painted concrete

Other: pressed glass clerestory

pressed metal soffits and

parapet to entry

NOTABLE FEATURES: interiors

Historical Australian Themes

ASSOCIATED HISTORIC THEMES

Evolution of the Town: 1930s, 1950s

Integrity

Integrity: E Conditions: E

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