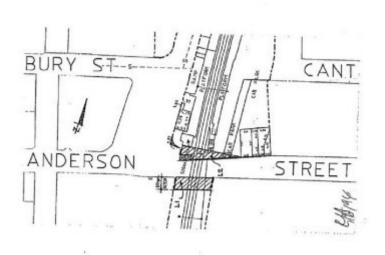
# INTERLOCKING RAILWAY CROSSING GATES



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#### Location

ANDERSON STREET YARRAVILLE, MARIBYRNONG CITY

# Municipality

MARIBYRNONG CITY

# Level of significance

Registered

#### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1028

### **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO19

## **VHR Registration**

September 29, 1994

### **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Register

## **Statement of Significance**

Last updated on - May 4, 1999

The railway through Yarraville, from Melbourne to Williamstown, opened in 1859, and a station was established at Yarraville in 1872. The station complex comprises a brick up-side station building (1893), a later timber down side platform building, a signal box (rebuilt in 1927), a pedestrian subway, and two sets of wheel operated interlocked level crossing gates commissioned in 1890. One set of four sector gates protects the double main line, and the other set, comprising two sector gates (now inoperable), formerly protected the public siding.

The gates are a notable feature of the Melbourne-Williamstown railway, which is culturally significant as the first and oldest Government-built line in the state.

The gates are an integral part of the station complex, which has historical significance for its associations with nationally significant 19th century and early 20th century industries in the Williamstown railway corridor, and social significance for its role as an entrance to the Yarraville shopping centre.

The gates are the last remaining intact example in Victoria of multiple interlocked railway level crossing gates, protecting both main running lines and sidings. The disused siding gates recall the existence and importance of the public sidings which were once commonplace on the Williamstown railway line.

The intact Yarraville gates, commissioned during the first phase of the introduction of interlocked sector gates on the Victorian Railway system, are typical of the many wheel operated interlocked level crossing sector gates introduced throughout the State between the 1880s and the 1930s.

# **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 <u>notify</u> 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.

Construction dates 1872,

Heritage Act Categories Registered place, Registered object integral to a registered place,

Other Names INTERLOCKING GATES, YARRAVILLE STATION GATES, RAILWAY GATES,

Hermes Number 4675

**Property Number** 

## **Extent of Registration**

AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 1028.

Interlocked Railway Crossing Gates, Anderson Street, Yarraville, City of Footscray.

(To the extent of:

- \* Two sets of interlocked sector gates comprising four gates and all associated workings protecting the double main line, two gates and all associated workings protecting the former public siding, two pedestrian gates and all associated workings, and all incidental fencing associated with the level crossing.
- \* All the land marked L1 and L2 and shown hatched on Plan 605407 (A), endorsed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director of the Historic Buildings Council.)

  [Victoria Government Gazette No. G39 29 September 1994 p.2341]

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 <a href="http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/">http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/</a>