

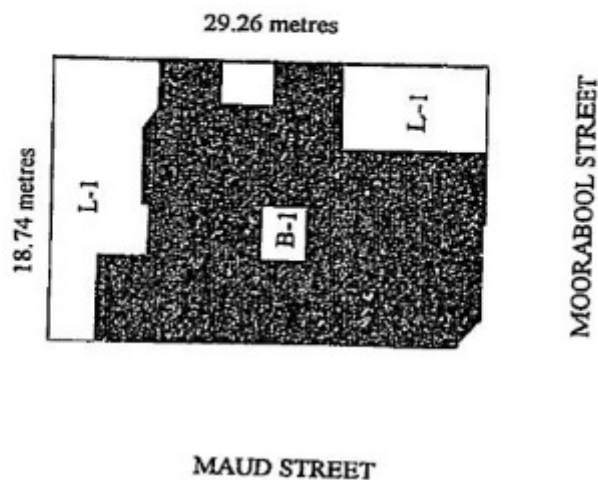
## FORMER GEORGE AND DRAGON HOTEL



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### Location

310 MOORABOOL STREET GEELONG, GREATER GEELONG CITY

### Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

### Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1163

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO147

## VHR Registration

April 18, 1996

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 6, 1999

The Former George and Dragon Hotel was built in 1855 to the design of Geelong architect Thomas Yabsley. The two storey hotel, constructed of regular coursed squared basalt with finely worked dressings, was built on a prominent corner site for the licensee Mr McHardy. The building was occupied by the Geelong Grammar School for use as a preparatory school from 1878 until 1893 and again from 1899 until 1911.

The Former George and Dragon Hotel is of architectural and historical significance to the state of Victoria.

The Former George and Dragon Hotel is of architectural significance as a notable work of the little-known architect Thomas Yabsley. Its very mannered use of exaggerated voussoirs and enormous vermiculated keystones, which combined with the subtle recession of the corner entrance, results in a much more sophisticated design than appears at first glance. Mannerism in architecture is extremely rare in Victoria at this period.

The building is historically significant for its associations with Geelong Grammar School. This association is enhanced by its proximity to the Former Geelong Grammar School (HBR188), the surviving wing of which is important for its associations with the foundation years of one of Victoria's major private schools.

[Source: Report to the Minister/]

## 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 exempted alterations are to be planned and carried out in a manner which prevents damage to the fabric of the registered place or object. General Conditions: 2. Should it become apparent during further inspection or the carrying out of works 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 works shall cease and the Executive Director shall be notified as soon as possible. Note: All archaeological places have the potential to contain significant sub-surface artefacts and other remains. In most cases it will be necessary to obtain approval from Heritage Victoria before the undertaking any works that have a significant sub-surface component. General Conditions: 3. If there is a conservation policy and plan approved by the Executive Director, all works shall be in accordance with it. Note: The existence of a Conservation Management Plan or a Heritage Action Plan endorsed by Heritage Victoria provides guidance for the management of the heritage values associated with the site. It may not be necessary to obtain a heritage permit for certain works specified in the management plan. General Conditions: 4. Nothing in this declaration prevents the Executive Director from amending or rescinding all or any of the permit exemptions. General Conditions: 5. Nothing in this declaration exempts owners or their agents from the responsibility to seek relevant planning or building permits from the responsible authorities where applicable.

Construction dates	1855,
Architect/Designer	Yabsley, Thomas R,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	4822
Property Number	

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### History

Associated People: Owner MR MCHARDY;  
Owner MR MCHARDY;

### Extent of Registration

AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 1163:

Former George and Dragon Hotel, 310 Moorabool Street, Geelong, City of Greater Geelong.

Extent:

To the extent of:

1. All of the building known as the former George and Dragon Hotel marked B-1 on Plan 604957 endorsed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.
  2. All of the land described in Memorial No. 767 Book 889 marked L-1 on Plan 604957 endorsed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.
- [Victoria Government Gazette No. G15 18 April 1996 p.957]

*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/>*