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former es&a bank burwood road hawthorn roof detail 1977



former es &a bank burwood road hawthorn facade detail 1977



H00516 former es a bank rear elevation 2003



Former ES&A Bank Burwood Road Hawthorn Side Sign Detail 1977



former es&a bank burwood road hawthorn light detail 1977



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## Location

343 BURWOOD ROAD HAWTHORN, BOROONDARA CITY

## Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0516

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO24

## VHR Registration

May 5, 1982

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 18, 1999

What is significant?

Manresa People's Centre (formerly the ES&A Bank) was built in 1873 to the design of Leonard Terry. The building was constructed in the Ecclesiastic Victorian Gothic style in Hawthorn bricks with gable slate roofs, and with dressings of Waurn Ponds limestone on a bluestone foundation. The two-storey building was intended to house the banking chamber and offices on the ground floor and accommodation for the manager at the rear and on the first floor. It retains a grand staircase hall with Minton-tiled flooring and Gothic timber stairs. The first floor

drawing room also retains a stencilled ceiling and cornice decorations. The building was purchased by the Roman Catholic Trust Corporation in 1923 and renamed the Manresa People's Centre.

How is it significant?

Manresa People's Centre is of historic and architectural significance to the State of Victoria

Why is it significant?

The Manresa People's Centre is historically important through its association with the development of rail transport and the suburbanisation of Melbourne. Built in response to the construction of the railway to Hawthorn in 1861, and the need to finance the subsequent housing boom, the bank subsequently became isolated from the commercial precinct after the extension of the railway to Glenferrie in 1880. The Manresa People's Centre is architecturally important in demonstrating an unusually early example of Ecclesiastical Gothic Revival in a secular building in Victoria. The centre is also architecturally important in exhibiting the good design and aesthetic characteristics of Leonard Terry's work, particularly through the staircase hall, the Gothic stairs and the former drawing room.

## 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](#).

Construction dates	1873,
Architect/Designer	Terry, Leonard,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Other Names	ES & A BANK, E S & A BANK, CATHOLIC CLUB,
Hermes Number	571
Property Number	

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## History

Associated People: Tenant GEORGE VERDON;

## Extent of Registration

Historic Building No.516, Former E. S. & A. Bank (Manresa People's Centre), 343 Burwood Road, Hawthorn.  
[Victoria Government Gazette No. 43 5 May 1982 p.1281]

*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/>*