
DAVIES STREET MASONIC TEMPLE

Location

2-6 DAVIES STREET,, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No 88814

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO57

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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The Davies Street Masonic Temple is of local historical and architectural Significance. It is a simple, classical building designed by locally active architect Charles Heath, and demonstrates the co-operative efforts of three local Masonic lodges in its creation.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999;
Construction dates	1923,
Architect/Designer	Heath, Charles Robert,
Hermes Number	59016
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Physical Description 1

The Davies Street Masonic Temple is a red brick building with a gabled terracotta tiled roof and rendered dressings to the south facade. For most of its length, the building is single storey, but a double storey section, with a hipped roof with terracotta finials, rises exists mid-way along its length. The north (Davies Street) facade is classical in design. A triangular pediment sits above a plain frieze; four Ionic columns are set between two red brick piers. Between the columns are two circular leadlight windows (with the Masons' set square and compasses device) topped with moulded swags, and a central plaque, also with ornate mouldings. In the pediment, mouldings of the Masons' device appear once more. Elsewhere, external decoration is restricted to white-painted rendered window dressings.

Key Architectural Elements:

Red brick and render Classical Revival facade
rendered details cartouche, swags, emblem in pediment
prominent street presence

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