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# LATINER HAT FACTORY (FORMER)

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## Location

20 DAWSON STREET,, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No 5651

## Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

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## Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

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## Statement of Significance

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Of regional significance as one of the largest hat manufacturing businesses in Melbourne and architecturally important for its bold use of rendered forms.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - Northern Suburbs Factory Study, Vines, G and M, Churchward, 1992;
Construction dates	1934,
Architect/Designer	Alder & Lacey,
Other Names	Dawson Street Police Complex,
Hermes Number	59198
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

The Lattner Hat Factory at 20 Dawson Street, Brunswick is an Inter War factory of monolithic design in cement rendered brick featuring a two storey office block of vertical fins reminiscent of a Sumerian temple and a single story section with floor to ceiling glazing extending west along Dawson Street. A saw tooth roof covers a large site behind this facade.

### Context:

One of several large industries around Dawson St. including Hoffman's Brickworks, W.T. Rawleigh and Miller's Ropeworks.

### Condition and Integrity:

In good condition and apparently complete and original except for the colour scheme.

### Comparative Analysis:

The simple geometric form and decoration and monumental character of the building are comparable to 91 Victoria Pde, Fitzroy.

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