

## **Metropolitan Gas Company Depot, Office and Show rooms, 12-14 Johnston Street, Collingwood**

Heritage overlay: HO324

City of Yarra Property Number: 121325

### **What is significant?**

The Metropolitan Gas Company Depot, Office and Show rooms at 12-14 Johnston Street, Collingwood were created in 1939 (in front of Edwardian-era rear wing) for the Metropolitan Gas Co. and has close historical associations with this firm. The place has a good integrity to its creation date (shopfront frame painted).

Fabric from the creation date at the Metropolitan Gas Company Depot or Office and Show rooms is locally significant within the City of Yarra, compared to other similar places from a similar era.

### **How is it significant?**

The Metropolitan Gas Company Depot or Office and Show rooms at 12-14 Johnston Street, Collingwood are historically and architecturally significant to the locality of Collingwood and the City of Yarra.

### **Why is it significant?**

The Metropolitan Gas Company Depot or Office and Show rooms are significant as a simple Moderne style façade to an Edwardian-era shop and residence building but has a significant original or early shopfront of curved glass and a long historical association with the Metropolitan Gas Company.

### **References:**

#### **Municipal rate books:**

VPRS 377/P/000

City of Collingwood/DarlingWard

Rate year/Rate no./Occupier/Owner/Description /NAV

1944/45; 5224; Metropolitan Gas Co., Show Rooms; Metropolitan Gas Co; Office and Show rooms; 130

1940-41; 5309; Metropolitan Gas Co. ; Metropolitan Gas Co; Brick Shop and Office; 130

1939-40; 5323; Metropolitan Gas Co. ; Metropolitan Gas Co.; Brick Shop and Office; 130

1938-39; 5307; Metropolitan Gas Co. ; Metropolitan Gas Co. ; Johnston St, Brick Shop; 70

1937-38; 5315; Metropolitan Gas Co. ; Metropolitan Gas Co. ; Johnston St, Brick Shop; 70

1936-37; 5331; Metropolitan Gas Co; Metropolitan Gas Co; Johnston St, Brick Shop; 70

1935-36; 5334; Metropolitan Gas Co; Metropolitan Gas Co; Brick Shop; 70

1930-31; 5364; Metropolitan Gas Co; Metropolitan Gas Co; Brick Shop; 50

#### **Melbourne or Victorian directories:**

1944-45 12 Met Gas Co depot

1940 12 Met Gas Co depot

1935 12 Met Gas Co depot

1930 12 Met Gas Co depot

1925 12 Met Gas Co depot

1920 12 Met Gas Co depot

1915 12 Met Gas Co depot

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**Other references:**

Proclaim: part 12-14

Wight 2001: 'This modest commercial building is at odds with the prevailing late Victorian and Edwardian periods generally represented in this Precinct. This small shop appears to date from around the 1940's/50's, and is noteworthy for its original shop front, in an area where most original shopfronts have been replaced.'