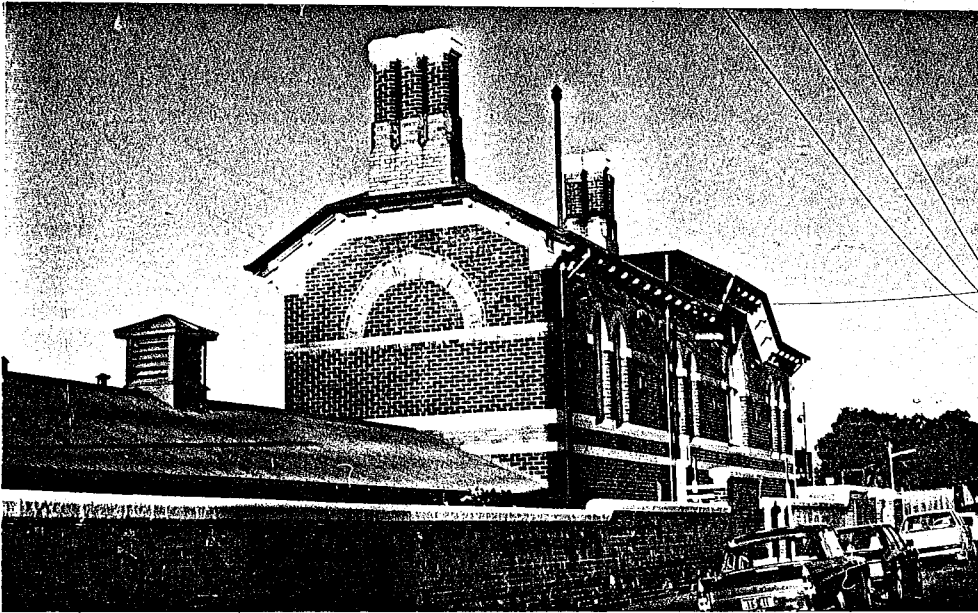


WINDSOR RAILWAY STATION
Peel Street, Prahran



Recommendations It is recommended that this building be retained on the Register of Government Buildings, added to the Register of the National Estate and be protected using the provisions of Clause 6 of the Town and Country Planning Act (Third Schedule).

History and Description The Windsor Railway Station was erected in 1885 and is a highly significant complex of related railway structures and buildings. The station, erected during Melbourne's boom years, is a simple building of polychromatic brickwork, featuring paired round arched windows, a truncated hip roof, eave consoles and massive, prominent chimney stacks. A capped brick wall and footbridge, supported on cast iron columns with decorative brackets, are other elements of interest. The massing of buildings with the overhead bridges, ramps and stairways is unusual and creates a wonderful spatial experience for the traveller.

Significance The Windsor Railway Station and related elements form a substantially intact and architecturally unique complex of railway buildings and structures in Victoria. It is an important element on the Brighton Beach line and the incorporation of a functionally separate post and telegraph office is unusual.

Intactness This railway station with affiliated structures is an intact complex with only minor alterations having occurred. Openings have been bricked up, a wing wall removed and cast iron verandah valancing and roof finials removed.

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