
Prahran Conservation Review: Selected A2 Buildings

Name: MMTB Electric Sub-station and switching station

Number: 2

Street: Daly Street

Locality: South Yarra

Precinct: 1

Architect/builder: Monsborough - MMTB architect from 1920s onward.
(BR)

Date/s of construction: Not researched

Owners/ occupiers: Not researched

Why important?: One of a number of substations created for new electric tram system; examples include Camberwell (near Junction on CCC side) and Queensberry Street, South Carlton.

This is a better example because more intact (cf Camberwell). Comparison required between this and other examples. At risk because of changes in technology.

Historically this building relates to electrification of system; adjacent to cable tram blgs at corner of Daly and Chapel Streets.

At least of regional significance as the sole known example within the region (being the Cities of St Kilda, Caulfield, Malvern, Prahran). Possibly state.

Key research sources: Current Drainage Plan; PTC for original plans; possible student thesis at RMIT (BR); internal inspection to determine if switching remains.

UCA Status: Not in reviewed UCA areas

Suggested ranking: A2/A1