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Location

2 Raglan Street ST ARNAUD, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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Although altered and painted in unsympathetic colours, the Mitre 10 Store, 2 Raglan Street, St. Arnaud, makes an important architectural contribution to the Raglan Streetscape. This building was constructed for James Rowe in 1906. Designed by the architects, Kell and Miller, the building was sold to Dimelow & Co. by the 1930s and it has been David O Jones's Mitre 10 store since 1979. Alterations have been carried out to the shopfronts, verandah and the new inappropriate colour scheme introduced.

The Mitre 10 Store is **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It demonstrates some original design qualities of a Federation Free style. These qualities include the single storey composition and particularly the dominant parapet adorned with stylised, geometric segmental pediments forming three bays and separated by projecting pilasters with pointed cappings. Other intact qualities include the moulded stringcourse below the parapet, incised rectangular panels, broadly projecting bullnosed verandah clad in galvanised corrugated iron, and the chamfered

verandah timber columns.

The Mitre 10 store is **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with the development of James Rows' "Victoria Arcade" from 1906, which sold furniture and furnishings. From the 1930s the building was associated with Dimelow & Co., and blinds were manufactured there at that time. During the 1960s the building was known as Cadzow's Hardware and since 1979 it has been associated with David O. Jones's Mitre 10 store. The building is also associated with the architect, William Kell.

The Mitre 10 store is **socially** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is recognised by the St. Arnaud community as having public value as one of the Federation stores constructed by the early and well-known James Rowe and family.

Overall, the Mitre 10 store is of **LOCAL** significance.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Northern Grampians - Shire of Northern Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage Study, Wendy Jacobs, Vicki Johnson, David Rowe, Phil Taylor, 2004;
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Physical Description 1

The Mitre 10 Store, 2 Raglan Street, St. Arnaud, although inappropriately coloured, makes an important contribution to the Raglan streetscape.

The single storey, rendered brick, Federation Free style commercial building is characterised by a dominant parapet adorned with stylised, geometric segmental pediments forming three bays and separated by projecting pilasters with pointed cappings. Below the parapet is a moulded stringcourse that is punctuated by the pilasters. Each bay features an incised rectangular panel, which is currently used as advertising for David O. Jones Mitre 10 Store. The upper reaches of the building are painted in recent white and blue, with small areas of yellow and orange, reflecting the corporate image of the hardware chain, as opposed to colours that compliment the style and age of the structure.

Another significant feature of the design is the broadly projecting bullnosed verandah clad in galvanised corrugated iron. The verandah is supported by early stop chamfered timber columns with decorative capital moulds. The decorative blue brackets and valances appear to be a recent addition. Under the verandah, the shopfronts have been substantially altered, and are now characterised by large glazed wall planes with a door towards the centre.

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