

ASHFIELD HERITAGE STUDY

1991 - 1992

NAME Fire Station		REFERENCE NO. 268
OTHER NAMES		REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION
LOCALITY / SUBURB Ashfield	POSTCODE 2131	ZONING 5(a)
STREET ADDRESS 16 Victoria Street		OWNER NSW Fire Brigades
MAP	REFERENCE	BOUNDARY / IDENTIFICATION The property boundary
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS/HISTORICAL NOTES - SEE OVER		
CATEGORY		SUB CATEGORY
EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE		
Historic:	Rare <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Associative <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Representative <input type="checkbox"/>
Aesthetic:	Rare <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Associative <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Representative <input type="checkbox"/>
Social:	Rare <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Associative <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Representative <input type="checkbox"/>
Scientific:	Rare <input type="checkbox"/>	Associative <input type="checkbox"/> Representative <input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	Rare <input type="checkbox"/>	Associative <input type="checkbox"/> Representative <input type="checkbox"/>
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE		SITE CONDITION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Ashfield's only Fire Station. * A rare example of the Federation Anglo-Dutch style combining a community facility and residential qualities. * Interesting early modification of a stylish structure. * A good piece of streetscape architecture. 		Intact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor Alteration <input type="checkbox"/> Major Alteration <input type="checkbox"/> See description - Sympathetic <input type="checkbox"/> - Unsympathetic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Removed (site only) <input type="checkbox"/>



PHOTOGRAPHS		DATE OF SURVEY
BandW ROLL	91-052-1	1/11/91
COLOUR SLIDES ROLL	NEG NO. 36	SURVEYOR
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HERITAGE LISTINGS	PERIOD	REFERENCE NO.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Register of the National Estate (AHC) - Registered <input type="checkbox"/> Register of the National Estate (AHC) - Interim <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Register of National Trust (NSW) <input type="checkbox"/> Within National Trust Conservation Area <input type="checkbox"/> Register of Significant Twentieth Century Architecture (RAIA) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Department of Public Works Heritage and Conservation Register <input type="checkbox"/> Heritage Council Register - Permanent Conservation Order <input type="checkbox"/> Heritage Council Register - Interim Conservation Order <input type="checkbox"/> Heritage Council Register - Section 130 Order <input type="checkbox"/> Heritage Council Register - Nomination <input type="checkbox"/> NSW Government Department Heritage Register (S170 Heritage Act) <input type="checkbox"/> Institution of Engineers (NSW) Heritage Register <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Environmental Plan Heritage Schedule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Environmental Plan Heritage Schedule <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Pre - 1800 <input type="checkbox"/> 1800 - 1825 <input type="checkbox"/> 1825 - 1850 <input type="checkbox"/> 1851 - 1875 <input type="checkbox"/> 1876 - 1900 <input type="checkbox"/> 1901 - 1925 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1926 - 1950 <input type="checkbox"/> 1951 - 1975 <input type="checkbox"/> Post - 1975 <input type="checkbox"/>	268 DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1901/1915 ARCHITECT / DESIGNER: Original building: Spain and Cosh BUILDER: Original builder not known, additions by Wheelwright and Alderson.
HISTORICAL THEMES: State Themes: Democratic government. Local Themes: Local Government and Services.		
HISTORICAL NOTES <p>The Ashfield Fire Brigade was originally a voluntary unit, and following the proclamation of the Fire Brigade Act of 1884, an engine house, originally known as Ashfield Volunteer Fire Station, was constructed on the corner of Victoria Street and Liverpool Road. The present Fire Station, constructed on the opposite side of Victoria Street, replaced this structure in 1901.</p>		
INFORMATION SOURCES: Written: <u>Ashfield 1871 - 1917</u> . Thematic history. Oral: Graphic: <u>Ashfield 1871 - 1971</u> .		
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS: Materials: Exterior: Bichromatic face brickwork in English bond, with stucco decoration. Interior: Plaster and pressed metal. Girder and cast iron column in fire appliance garage. Styles: Federation Anglo-Dutch.		
DESCRIPTION: <p>A two-storey building of unusual style, combining garaging and residential quarters in a pleasantly satisfactory visual design. Consistent detailing includes modelled stucco ornamentation, three-ring window arches, a residential porch with turned timber posts and bullnose brick door reveals. The garage has ceilings and beam facings of embossed zinc.</p>		
MODIFICATION: <p>Enlargement 1915 comprised additional first floor residential accommodation which, though unsympathetic to the style of the original, is inoffensive. The original fine stepped gable was replaced by the present curvilinear parapet feature. Later modifications include new garage doors, slate roofs have been replaced by concrete tiles and sheet metal.</p> <p>Note: The fire station forms an interesting and pleasant juxtaposition with the police station next door.</p>		