

Heritage Citation



Mansted House (former)

Key details

Also known as	Tedmans Building
Addresses	At 888 Brunswick Street, New Farm, Queensland 4005
Type of place	Flat building, Shop/s
Period	Interwar 1919-1939
Style	Composite
Lot plan	L1_RP8744; L2_RP8745
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 30 October 2000 Date of Citation — April 2011
Construction	Roof: Tile; Walls: Masonry

This row of shops, with flats on the upper level, was built about 1937. In January 1938 a modern and attractive flat was advertised to let in 'a new brick building with every convenience' and to apply to Mrs Tedman. The property had been transferred to Ernest William and Mary-Ann Tedman in 1932. Though the complex was apparently known as 'Tedman's Building', it was listed in 1939 as 'Mansted House', 81 Merthyr Road, and included a pastrycook, butchery, hairdressers, grocery store, dressmakers and mixed business. There are two footpath entrances to the building's upper level. One is at 81 Merthyr Road and the other at 888 Brunswick Street. The whole property was transferred to Tedman's widow in 1963 and then to Platon Holdings in 1965. Features of the interwar building include the pressed metal ceilings under the footpath awning, leadlight windows above doorway entrances, and on the upper level, the stucco and face-brick facade with sets of casement windows under tiled-roof gablets.

Statement of significance

Relevant assessment criteria

This is a place of local heritage significance and meets one or more of the local heritage criteria under the Heritage planning scheme policy of the *Brisbane City Plan 2014*. It is significant because:

Historical

CRITERION A

The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the city's or local area's history

as a surviving example of the commercial development in the Merthyr Road/Brunswick Street precinct to cater for New Farm's population increase, reflected by the 1925 Brunswick Street tramway extension to New Farm Park.

Rarity

CRITERION B

The place demonstrates rare, uncommon or endangered aspects of the city's or local area's cultural heritage

as a rare, relatively intact, two-storey row of 1930s shops in New Farm.

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