Sisalkraft Distributors P/L store and offices later CFMEU offices

152 -160 Miller Street, West Melbourne (HO1119)





Statement of Significance

Place Grading: C3

What is significant?

This 1950s Modernist cream brick warehouse and factory building has:

- two levels on a corner site;
- simple elevations with ordered openings and opening groups set within each;
- openings typically fitted with natural aluminium framed windows;
- detailing that includes two-colour stretcher bond spandrels with alternating projecting bricks;
- window groups and the main entry framed by projecting plain cement borders typical of the era;
- the main Miller Street façade having a vertical element terminating the east end where there originally there was the main entry hall and adjoining show room;
- Stawell and Anderson Street façades designed originally as one and two storey (for later expansion) with a similar vertical element at the south end;
- both elevations as raised to two storeys in 1956 in a matching manner; and

 originally large shuttered loading doors to docks at ground level in Anderson Street while Stawell Street had secured window groups.

How is it significant?

Sisalkraft Distributors P/L store and offices is of aesthetic significance and historic interest to West Melbourne.

Why is it significant?

Sisalkraft Distributors P/L store and offices is of interest:

Aesthetically, as a well preserved and uncommon commercial building design from a well-known and respected architectural firm (Criterion E).