

No.2 Goods Shed (VHR H0933)
733 Bourke Street and 707 Collins Street Docklands
Permit Application P35475

No.2 Goods Shed is included in the Victorian Heritage Register under the provisions of the *Heritage Act 2017*. It is of architectural significance as the largest and most elaborate nineteenth century railway goods building in Victoria. It is also of historical significance as evidence of the role played by Victoria's railways in the economic development of Victoria.

What was the permit application for?

On 4 April 2022 Heritage Victoria received a permit application for demolition and partial reconstruction works to the No.2 Goods shed to facilitate the construction of two towers on either side of Collins Street in place of the existing Pavilion and Lantern buildings. Conservation and reconstruction works were also proposed. The permit application was advertised between 17 August 2022 and 30 August 2022.

Why has the permit been issued?

On 5 January 2023, the Executive Director, Heritage Victoria (**Executive Director**) determined to refuse the heritage permit application on the basis that the construction of two towers would cause substantial visual and physical harm to the cultural heritage significance of the place, including demolition of additional bays of the No.2 Goods Shed on either side of Collins Street.

On 14 March 2023, the applicant requested a review by the Heritage Council of Victoria (**Heritage Council**) of the Executive Director's determination. On 17 November 2023, the Minister for Planning called in the Heritage Council review under section 109 of the Heritage Act and requested a report from the Heritage Council.

On 10 July 2026, the Minister for Planning determined to set aside the determination of the Executive Director to refuse permit application P35475 for the No.2 Goods Shed, and instead determine that permit P35475 should be issued, subject to conditions.

Can this determination be appealed?

There are no appeal pathways following a determination made under section 114 of the *Heritage Act 2017*.