

Item name: Bank - Commonwealth Bank

Location: 183 Hoskins Street Temora 2666

Temora

Address: 183 Hoskins Street

Planning: Southern & Western

Suburb/nearest town: Temora 2666

Local govt area: Temora

Parish:

State: NSW

County:

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Central Conservation Area

Group ID: 1

Aboriginal area: Wiradjuri

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built

Group: Commercial

Category: Bank

Owner:

Admin codes:

Code 2:

Code 3:

Current use: Bank.

Former uses:

Assessed significance: Local

Endorsed significance:

Statement of significance: A prominent two storey bank building retaining most of its original features, an important landmark on the eastern side of Hoskins Street., still used for its original purpose.

Historical notes of provenance: This bank opened in Temora, as the Government Bank of New South Wales, (founded in 1871), on October 8, 1880 with an agency in the local Post Office. (later, in 1931, the bank was to merge with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.) On April 1, 1912, the bank opened a branch in leased premises in Lewis' building in Hoskins Street. In 1913 it purchased the present site, adjacent to what was then Mr. F. Mitchell's machinery depot. In 1917, the old building on the site was demolished, and the new two-storey building comprising bank and residence was erected by the contractors, H. Dengate & Sons. It had an 11 metre frontage to Hoskins Street and cost 3,177 pounds, 12 shillings and 4 pence. The bank opened for business here on March 20, 1918. During 1922 Mr. N. W. Bland erected a garage at the rear of the building for 112 pounds, ten shillings. In he also fitted a maple screen behind the tellers cash drawer. Extensions were made in 1927 to the southern side, extending the banking space. Further alterations and additions were made in 1960, 1964 and 1970. In 1978, the same firm, now trading as N. W. Bland & Sons, remodelled the original coffered ceiling using acoustic tiles, provided a new porch for the front entrance to the bank, and erected a five metre extension to the southern side of the building and furnished new counters and partitions.

Themes: **National theme**
3. Economy

State theme
Commerce

Local theme

Designer:

Builder:

Year started: 1917

Year completed: 1918

Circa: No

Physical description: Walls - masonry. Verandahs - two storey. Detractions - colour scheme, glazing to top floor. Comments - fine example of bank architecture with Mediteranean classical influences.

Physical condition level:

Physical condition: Architectural quality - very high.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

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Modification dates: Alterations and extensions were carried out in 1922, 1925, 1927, 1960, 1964, 1970 and 1978.**Recommended management:** Painting scheme - appropriate heritage colours.**Management:** Management category

Management name

Further comments: Contributes to streetscape - Yes, critical.**Criteria a):** The construction of bank branches illustrates the confidence which the major financial institutions had in regional Australia
[Historical significance]**Criteria b):**
[Historical association significance]**Criteria c):** The building retains the original character of the Classical - Italian renaissance style architecture with the comined single storey wing and two storey pavilion with verandahs dominating the streetscape
[Aesthetic/ Technical significance]**Criteria d):** Banks are regarded as important commercial institutions within the community.
[Social/Cultural significance]**Criteria e):**
[Research significance]**Criteria f):** The external character of the building has rarity value within the streetscape
[Rarity]**Criteria g):** The Bank is a very good extant example of the style of commercial and residential premises provided throughout regional NSW
[Representative]**Intactness/Integrity:** Good integrity of the original built form

References:	Author	Title	Year
	Various: Temora Centenary Book Con	Temora Yesterday and Today, 1880 - 1980.	1980

Studies:	Author	Title	Number	Year
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