

Place name Gentofte **Survey Date:** 04/07/2004
Other name Gippsland Funeral Services **Id:** 999
Street 226 to 230 York Street **Last Update** 04/10/2004
Locality Sale **Postcode**
Official Locality **Property No** Sec 38 Allot 18
Local Government Area Wellington Shire
Precinct: Not in precinct
Easting **Northing**
Map
Workshop number **Workshop votes**
Field survey number **Community priority**
Designer **Builder**
Ownership Private **Built Date** **Change Date**

Description An unusual building, Victorian in period, built as a shop and dwelling and that has long served as a funeral parlour. One section of the building is on the street alignment. It features vermiculated quoins and moulded window architraves. To the north the building forms a long wing, with the roof extending to shelter an entry porch. The detailing is similar on both sections. The heavily moulded chimneys are also a feature. The name 'Gentofte' appears in gold lettering in the fanlight above the entry door.

At the rear is a morgue (not seen).

Gentofte is in good condition, and apparently highly intact. Since 1994, the side porch has been altered with the solid balustrade and gate removed and replaced with verandah posts. This change appears to reconstruct earlier detailing.

Feature	Style	Wall Materials	Roof Materials
Building	Victorian	Rendered Masonry	Corrugated iron

Condition Good **Integrity** Intact

None apparent

Commercial

Building

National Themes	Local Themes
	7. BUILDING SETTLEMENTS & TOW
	7.1 Ports

History In 1866 the rate books record L. Jensen as the owner of a dwelling, shops and 1.5 acres of fenced land.(1) I. L. Jensen (perhaps the same person) is recorded as the first owner of Allotment 18, Section 38, a small allotment of half an acre (2 roods).(3) The rate books show he also owned Allotments 16, 17 and 18.(1)

Louis Jensen continued to own the property into the 1880s, and the description remains as in 1866, although the allotments listed are 17 and 18, a total of one acre.(1) Jensen is described as a builder in the 1860s and 70s, and as a merchant by the 1880s.(1) The form and use of the building during this early period has not been researched.

Carl Uebergang, an undertaker, ran his business from this building for many years. The office is entered from York Street, and the morgue is accessed from a rear lane.(2)

Further historical research could enable dating of the building and morgue, and document its use, adding to an understanding of its significance.

REFERENCES

- (1) Rate books.
- (2) A. Dorning, Heritage Awareness Day.
- (3) Town of Sale Plan, 1910.

Heritage Protections Register	Reference	Zoning	Status
Planning Scheme	x		Recommended

National Estate

Research Required

Recommendations A new photograph should be taken to record the current condition and integrity of the property.

Fieldwork priority?

Stage 1 Ranking Assessed: Sale Heritage Stu **Stage 2 priority** Planning Scheme: Individua

Final Ranking Local significance **Final Recommendation**

Statement of significance The Victorian building at 226 to 230 York Street, Sale is of local aesthetic and historic significance to the Wellington Shire. Aesthetically, it is significant as an unusual commercial building, domestic in form. Historically, it is significant as one of three nineteenth century commercial buildings in York Street, which provides evidence of the earlier phase of development of the street as a commercial area. It is also significant for its evidence of a continuing and essential community service, although the date of its first use as a funeral parlour is not known. (RNE criteria B.2, G.1)

Extent of designation

Informant

Notes

Follow up

Bibliography Context Pty Ltd, (1994), City of Sale Heritage Study
Context Pty Ltd, (2004), Wellington Heritage Study: Sale Review

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