

CO-OP HERITAGE BUILDING RESTORATION

FREDERICK STREET, ALBANY

The Cooperative Society Building has considerable rarity and value. It has significant aesthetic, historic and social cultural heritage significance.

Status:

Completed August 2015

Funding Partners: City of Albany, Lotterywest

Value: \$188,335
Lotterywest \$63,350

Project Team: City of Albany

Community Outcomes:

The Albany Cooperative Society Building is located on the corner of Frederick Street and Spencer Street at the east end of the historic centre of Albany.

It was constructed in 1870 by J.U. Green as the premises for the Albany Co-operative Society. Originally the large shop area took up three quarters of the ground floor area at the east end of the building and an office area spanned the west side of the building.

The building is listed as a Historical Building and Community Centre and the place was used as a store and administrative centre for the Albany Historical Society.

The 1870s brick work, original external stucco, timber columns and beams to ground floor, windows and floor structure are elements of exceptional significance and were included in the conservation and refurbishment of the building.

The works have taken significant steps in restoring the building to its original form.

