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163 Devon Street East

c.1930?

**Themes in development:** transport and trade, cultural and social.

**Cultural heritage values:** historic, architectural, technical, and townscape values.

**Not registered.**

**Owner**  
William Hughes  
Oeo Road  
RD 28, Manaia

**Title**  
Pt Lot 3 DP 979, all DP 3963  
ID: 013711

**Use**  
Retail

**Description**

The building at 163 Devon Street East is a two storey reinforced concrete building, the concrete plastered. It is a classically designed building with the main Devon Street elevation divided by six Doric pilasters supporting a bracketted cornice and plain geometric pediment; there are sundry items of decoration in shallow relief within the cornice and pediment. There are three-part casement windows with fanlights in each bay.

**History**

The history of the building is not known, with no building file located at the District Council and no early photos located as yet. The main elevation above the verandah level appears to be little changed, while the verandah itself has probably always been suspended as it is at present; the shop fronts below have been modernised.

**Architect**

The architect is not known.

**Statement of Significance**

The building at 79-87 Devon Street East is an interesting piece of classical design, significant principally for its appropriate scale and streetscape value.

**Sources**

New Plymouth District Council building file?