

Royal Australian Historical Society

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HISTORY HOUSE PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- To enhance the usability of the building for existing and future RAHS Members, staff and visitors;
- To have sufficient space that will prove conducive to fulfilling the core functions of the Society;
- To address the urgent repairs that are required to ensure that History House meets safety and accessibility obligations;
- To provide enhanced accommodation to support core functions of the Society;
- To provide additional and flexible space for future income generating activities;
- To develop a strategic plan to reflect a financially sustainable operating model;
- To respect the heritage values of History House through a sympathetic extension, which only affects non-significant fabric, and does not compromise key views of the building from the public domain of Macquarie Street;
- To create a safe and secure environment for staff, visitors and the general public who engage with the History House building;
- To install safety and accessibility services, equipment and facilities.



Image: History House pre-1870. The townhouse, which has become known as History House, was originally numbered as 163 Macquarie Street. Now at 133 Macquarie Street, this building was one of the last terraces to be built during this period. History House can be seen third from the left in this image [State Library of NSW]