
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



Chamber of Commerce - Film
2 / Frame 3 - Ballarat
Conservation Study, 1978

Location

40-46 STURT STREET, BALLARAT CENTRAL - PROPERTY NUMBER 2043494, BALLARAT CITY

Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO112

Heritage Listing

Ballarat City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 19, 2024

What is significant?

How is it significant?

Why is it significant?

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Ballarat - Ballarat Conservation Study, Jacobs Lewis Vines Architects, 1978; |
| Construction dates | 1859, 1869, 1882, 1919, |
| Architect/Designer | Doane, JA, Caselli & Figgis, Porter, Christian, |
| Hermes Number | 123559 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

This building was erected in 1859 by the Ballarat Chamber of Commerce at a cost of, £2,000, and is shown in a contemporary lithograph. J.A.Doane undertook work on the building in 1869. It has twice been externally altered since then, once to convert the ground floor to shops entailing the removal of the arcuated ground floor facade before 1905 and again by 1919 with the construction of a third floor behind a mansarded roof. Originally it was one of the most engaging public buildings in Ballarat. In spite of the subsequent intrusive alterations the surviving sections are of considerable interest, in particular the unusual parapet with balustrading of linked ellipses and the corner double pedestals which serve also as chimneys. The piano nobile comprises a charming, almost primitive, simplicity of alternating segmental and triangular pedimented aedicules with ionic pilasters and window guards of square balusters. These contain an early and pleasant design of casement windows. The building is important historically as one of the earliest surviving buildings in Ballarat and because of its associations with many architects who practised from it, most notably Leonard Terry. This building is an important example of Doane's work and the combination of elements unique to this state.

Intactness

INTACTNESS: shopfronts and roof altered

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