
FORMER LIVERPOOL STORE



The former 'Liverpool Store' complex included a timber shop to High Street, now demolished. Note the unpainted east wall of the subject building at upper left of image (dated 1870s). (Source: Courtesy Peter Bimpson, City of Greater Bendigo).



South elevation (Lockwood Road) of the former Liverpool Store, c. 1990s (Source: National Library of Australia).



South and east elevations.



Rear elevation; note lantern roof.



East elevation, note angled brick course, evidence of a pre-existing structure in this location.

Location

10 LOCKWOOD ROAD, KANGAROO FLAT - PROPERTY NUMBER 199108, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

Greater Bendigo City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The former Liverpool Store is a double-height brick building located at the south-east corner of Lockwood Road and Dunlop Lane in Kangaroo Flat. It was built in the 1860s as the centrepiece of W Roger's 'Liverpool Store' complex, which included a post office and a single-storey timber shop, with gable ends and street verandah, acting as the retail outlet for the store. The extant brick building has a square plan and is built on a sandstone base. The break fronted and trabeated front (south) elevation, addressing Lockwood Road, is divided into three bays with a cornice and parapet carried on pilasters. A bricked-up door opening at the south end of the east elevation may have provided a connection to the former timber shop that formed part of the original Liverpool Store complex. An embedded angled brick course is evident at the north end of the east elevation, indicating that a gable roofed structure pre-existed the former Liverpool Store in this location.

How is it significant?

The former Liverpool Store is of local historical, aesthetic/architectural and social significance.

Why is it significant?

The former Liverpool Store (c. 1860s) is historically significant (Criterion A) as a former commercial building which dates to the earliest phase of settlement at Kangaroo Flat. It is also the only surviving element of the former 'Liverpool Store' complex, which is also believed to date to the 1860s, and included a timber shop addressing High Street, and a post office. The building is additionally a relatively rare surviving building of its type in the Marong area, offering evidence of an historic commercial operation (Criterion B).

The former Liverpool Store is of local social significance (Criterion G), for its present use as premises of the Y Service Club, which supports the YMCA and the community, and for its historic use as retail premises. The social value of the property is enhanced by its large scale and prominence at the south end of Kangaroo Flat's main retail strip.

The former 'Liverpool Store' is also of aesthetic/architectural significance (Criterion E). Its double-height and robust presence to the street, as well as the trabeated and substantially intact south elevation, give the property a high degree of prominence in its context. The brick building, which is among the most substantial (non religious) buildings in Kangaroo Flat, also emphasises the historic importance of the former commercial (Liverpool Store) operation.

Theme

5. Building Victoria's industries and workforce

Heritage Study/Consultant Greater Bendigo - Heritage Policy Citations Review, Lovell Chen P/L, 2011;

Construction dates 1860,

Other Names Y's Mens Club of Kangaroo Flat,

Hermes Number 184791

Physical Description 1

The former Liverpool Store is a double-height brick building located at the south-east corner of Lockwood Road and Dunlop Lane in Kangaroo Flat, with no setback to Lockwood Road. The property was not inspected internally; references to internal elements in the following are from the previous survey carried out in 1998.⁴

The former store has a square plan and is built on a sandstone base. The break fronted and trabeated front (south) elevation, addressing Lockwood Road, is divided into three bays with a cornice and parapet carried on pilasters. The parapet has a central pediment moulding supported on each side by half ogee cornices. The central entry has a flat head surmounted by a round arch filled in by a recent metal fanlight with slender radial framing. The entry doors are also recent, in four leaves with plate-glass windows and a kick-bar one quarter the way up. The entry, which may have originally been a vehicle entry, is flanked in each bay by a single window, bricked up but possibly always having been blind. The bays are divided by pilasters which break up through the main cornice and rise across the parapet. These have deep indentations (recessed panels) that rise through the parapet. The side and end walls are windowless. With the exception of the rear, all elevations are overpainted. The roof is a four-sided hip, with steel cladding and a proportionally large, similarly hipped and clad central lantern extending over about half the roof area.

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Inside (as of 1998), the floor is subdivided into a central section with aisles divided by timber posts supporting a complicated system of ties and struts to carry the roof.

The side yard to the building's immediate east is paved in concrete, and the Lockwood Road paving is a mixture of cement with inset brick paving at the Dunlop Lane corner.

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