# FORMER CRESWICK GOLD OFFICE



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1 former creswick gold office front view



former creswick bluestone gold office detail iron shutters on window dec1982



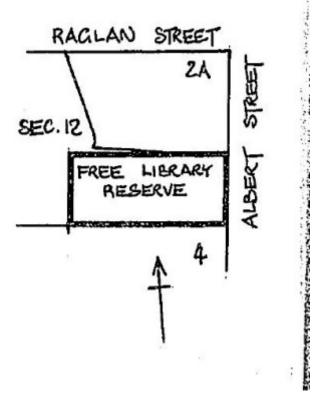
former creswick gold office rear view dec1982



former creswick gold office side view dec1982



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#### Location

87 ALBERT STREET (REAR) CRESWICK, HEPBURN SHIRE

# Municipality

**HEPBURN SHIRE** 

# Level of significance

Registered

# Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0595

## **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO27

## VHR Registration

January 9, 1985

# **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Register

# Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 24, 1999

The Former Creswick Gold Office and Sub-Treasury was built in 1858 to a design by the Public Works Department. Its architect was CG Ross and its construction followed shortly after the appointment of FJ Bury as Creswick's first permanent gold commissioner to administer the goldfields in the Creswick area which had been worked since 1852. The building is constructed of coursed and tuckpointed bluestone with a gabled corrugated iron roof and is rectangular in plan with two rooms and a connecting passage behind a central chimney. The front of the building has four pairs of french windows spaced at regular intervals (two to each room) set within deep reveals and secured by rivetted iron shutters. The only other opening to the building is a sash window to the office in one gable end. It originally had a verandah across the front.

The Former Creswick Gold Office and Sub-Treasury is of significance as one of the earliest of the permanent public offices established in the 1850s to administer mining and its associated activities and one of a smaller group purpose-built as a sub-treasury. As such it is of particular relevance to the understanding of public administration on Victoria's early goldfields.

## **Permit Exemptions**

#### **General Exemptions:**

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must <u>notify</u> the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions here.

Construction dates 1859,

Architect/Designer Ross, CG,

Heritage Act Categories Registered place,

Hermes Number 324

**Property Number** 

## **Extent of Registration**

#### AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 595 Former Creswick Gold Office, Rear 87 Gilbert Street, Creswick (to the extent of the show [sic] of the building and the land contained within the Free Library Reserve (Gazette 93.1509 at 1958 No. 5908 Rs. 5466) but excluding the Library Buildings).

[Victoria Government Gazette No. 2 9 January 1985 p. 38]

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/