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## FREEMASON'S TAVERN (FORMER)



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### Location

5 Wellington Street, CREMORNE VIC 3121 - Property No 166035

### Municipality

YARRA CITY

### Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO293

### Heritage Listing

Yarra City

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### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 1, 2008

The following wording is from the Allom and Lovell Building Citation, 1998 for the property. Please note that this is a "Building Citation", not a "Statement of Significance". For further information refer to the Building Citation held by the City of Yarra.

History:

In 1858, a timber house and bakery occupied the site, followed in 1860 by a brick house of three rooms and bakery.

The present Freemason's Tavern was built in 1865. The first owner of the 8 room brick buildings was William Martin, a butcher. From 1867 to 1885, the building operated as the Freemason's Tavern; the first licensee was John Davies.

In 1886, the building reverted to use as a residence. It was advertised for sale for ?550 in March 1885, described as a brick house of 8 rooms with outbuildings and side right of way, on land measuring 25 x 50'. In 1887, the owner of the building was Ann Fricker, and the occupier Elizabeth Martin, who used the building as a boarding house. Stables were built at the rear in 1887.

#### Description:

The former Freemason's Tavern, 5 Wellington Street, Richmond, is a double-storey mid-Victorian brick building of ruled rendered masonry construction. The entrance elevation is approximately symmetrical. The ground floor has a central door flanked by single windows, whilst the first floor has four single windows. Windows are timber-framed double-hung sashes with vertical glazing bars.

The roof is concealed behind a simple parapet with a moulded cornice, and is penetrated by a rendered chimney with a moulded cap. There is a simple moulded string course at first floor level. A second chimney to the rear of the building is of painted brick, and has a painted terracotta chimney pot.

#### Significance:

The former Freemason's Tavern, 5 Wellington Street, Richmond, is of local architectural significance and local historical interest. Although its condition is presently poor, it remains a substantially intact and interesting example of a remarkably austere mid-Victorian building with little decoration. Its early change of use into a dwelling is also of interest.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Yarra - Richmond Conservation Study, John & Thurley O'Connor, Ros Coleman & Heather Wright, 1985; Yarra - City of Yarra Heritage Review, Allom Lovell & Associates, 1998; Yarra - City of Yarra Review of Heritage Overlay Areas, Graeme Butler & Associates, 2007;
Construction dates	1865,
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## Integrity

not assessed

*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/>*