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Location

62 Easey Street COLLINGWOOD, YARRA CITY (aka 259 Wellington Street)

Municipality

YARRA CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO145

Heritage Listing

Yarra City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 20, 2006

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:

The 1858 Hodgkinson map shows a small building on this site, Wellington Street having not yet been formed.

By 1868, Edmond Burn, the baker, had a wooden shop here, described in 1875 as a wooden shop and bakery. In 1876 it is described as a brick shop and bakery with Burns as owner/occupier. By 1887 ownership had passed to William Cooksley, and by 1892, Frederick Lauer, baker, was his tenant.

Construction details indicate that the building was probably built in stages.

Description:

Portsea House, 259 Wellington Street, Collingwood, is a two storey brick building on a prominent site on the north-west corner of Easey Street. The walls are of rendered brick with rendered dressings to windows. The facades of the shop are articulated by very simple, shallow pilasters. The entrance to the former shop is through a doorway in the corner splay, and is flanked by original shopfronts are articulated by vertical and horizontal timber mullions dividing the window into six or eight lights above a timber sill and stall board. The ground floor of the east elevation has a door at its mid-point, and two windows, whilst the first floor has five windows. The south elevation has a door and window at ground floor level, and three windows at first floor level. Windows are generally timber-framed double-hung sashes with bracketed sills and moulded architraves. There is a flat rendered string course at first floor level, which is expressed as a cornice above the shopfronts.

The roof is concealed behind a simple parapet with a rendered moulded cornice, which has a raised segmental parapet, bearing the words PORTSEA HOUSE ESTD 1858 in render above the splayed corner. There is a number of rendered brick chimneys with moulded caps.

Significance:

Portsea House, 259 Wellington Street, Collingwood, is of local historical and architectural significance. The site has been occupied by a shop since at least the 1860s, and it is a substantially intact example of a combined corner shop and residence which retains its original 19th century shopfront typical of the second wave of development in Collingwood in the late 1800s.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Yarra - City of Collingwood Conservation Study, Andrew Ward & Associates, 1989; Yarra - City of Collingwood Conservation Study, Andrew Ward & Associates, 1995; 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	1858,
Hermes Number	102804
Property Number	

Physical Description 2

Known as 259 WELLINGTON St in Clause 43; corner site; parapet states Portsea House est. 1858, historical background required - later date? rear windows missing

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Integrity

Good

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.

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