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Location

61 Islington Street, COLLINGWOOD VIC 3066 - Property No 103300

Municipality

YARRA CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO106

Heritage Listing

Yarra City

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:

Thomas (?) Chadwick owned vacant land on the site of the original malt store at this location in 1877 and by 1878, a malt store had been erected there, remaining in Herman Chadwick's name, as owner, with Job Stanton and Chadwick as maltsters. In that year, Thomas Hood formed a partnership with Stanton, replacing Chadwick and by 1887 the building was owned by Messrs J Stanton and Co. By 1898, the E S & A Bank (Fitzroy) was in possession with Thomas and Charles Hood maltsters in occupation.

Thomas Hood was a councillor of the City and rate collector, resigning from the latter position in 1887. He opposed the opening of Wellington Street, when first discussed in Council because he owned property in that thoroughfare. He was elected to the committee of the first Collingwood Building Society and was in favour of free trade as opposed to the protection of local industry.

By 1909, C and A Hood had taken over from their father and were supplying malt locally to companies including the Victoria Brewery. They had an important interstate trade and were building two new kilns and undertaking improvements to the malt house. New plant had been recently provided for malt extract by Messrs Reid and Morgan, Brass founder, South Melbourne.

Description:

The former James Hood & Co Malt house comprises a complex of buildings facing Islington Street. The southern-most two storey gabled building is of red brick construction, with a large opening at ground floor and three steel-framed casements at first floor level. A rendered panel in the gable end bears the words GRAIN STORE JAMES HOOD & CO PTY LTD. Further north is a similar red brick building, three storeys in height and also with steel-framed casement windows. The rendered panel in the gable end bears the words 1928 JAMES HOOD & CO PTY LTD. The lintels at first floor level continue to form a string course around the building. Further north again is a three storey brick building with segmented arched windows, bounded by access lanes to the north and south. This building appears to be original 1878 malt house. Alterations include the rendering of the Islington facade. Concrete silos adjoin this building to the north.

Significance:

The James Hood and Co. Pty complex is of considerable local historical significance. The complex retains, albeit in altered form, the 19th century brick malt house, illustrating an early phase of industrial development in Collingwood. It is one of Collingwood's earliest and most successful enterprises. The subsequent expansion of the complex reflects the development of the brewing industry in Victoria and in particular in Collingwood, an area noted for its breweries and related industries in the 19th century. The later buildings are prominent elements in the Islington Street streetscape.

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	1878,
Hermes Number	103780
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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/>