BALLARAT GAS CORPORATION OFFICES (FORMER)





The Pancake Kitchen -Ballarat Heritage Review, 1998

former gas company - film 6 / frame 11 - Ballarat Conservation Study, 1978



former gas company - Early photograph from Ballarat Illustrated - Ballarat Conservation Study, 1978

Location

2 GRENVILLE STREET SOUTH, BALLARAT CENTRAL, BALLARAT CITY

Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO171

Heritage Listing

Ballarat City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 10, 2024

What is significant? How is it significant? Why is it significant?

Ballarat Conservation Study, 1978

Part of Recommended Area A1.2. No SoS provided in this citation. Please refer to the Attachments section in this place record for further information.

Ballarat Heritage Review, 1998

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Heritage Study/Consultant	Ballarat - Ballarat Conservation Study, Jacobs Lewis Vines Architects, 1978; Ballarat - Ballarat Heritage Review, Andrew Ward, 1998;
Construction dates	1870,
Architect/Designer	Caselli & Figgis,
Other Names	Former Gas Company Office, The Pancake Kitchen,
Hermes Number	120678
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

This office building was constructed in 1870 for the Ballarat Gas Corporation to the design of Caselli & Figgis. An early photo survives of the building in its original condition - the window pediments have subsequently been removed, and the facade painted. The building is a pleasing double storey composition on masonry piers with rusticated base course to impost height and matching voussoirs. Within the ground floor arcade a second order is visible surrounding the door and windows. A blind tabernacle with shell motif occupies the splayed corner at first floor level. A delicate dentillated cornice and eaves brackets support a surprisingly plain parapet which may have been stripped.

The overall detailing and use of architectural motifs (e.g. circular transom light, rusticated piers, use of double orders) closely resembles those employed on 54 Lydiard Street. It is possible that Caselli & Figgis were responsible for these two buildings.

The effect of this building has been dramatically changed by the alterations.

However it forms an important corner streetscape element in an important precinct, and is in good condition.

Integrity

PARTIALLY INTACT

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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