Caledonian Inn (Former)



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Location

77 Cole Street WILLIAMSTOWN, Hobsons Bay City

Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO76

Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The former Caledonian Inn, constructed c.1859, at 77 Cole Street, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

The former Caledonian Inn at 77 Cole Street, Williamstown is of local historic, social and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is significant as one of the oldest surviving hotels in Williamstown and is one of a number scattered throughout the otherwise residential area of the Government Survey precinct, which illustrates the proliferation of hotels prior to the introduction of stricter licensing controls in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. (AHC criteria A4 and D2)

Aesthetically, although the facade has been defaced, it is significant as a rare example of a single storey hotel that retains some notable early detailing such as the bluestone sidewalls and one early chimney. (AHC criteria B2 and E1)

Heritage Study/Consultant Hobsons Bay - Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Hobsons Bay City Council, 2006;

Hermes Number 15005

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The former Caledonian Inn is a single storey building built to the property line. The facade has been completely defaced, however, the original bluestone construction can clearly be seen in the exposed side walls. Other original or early features include the hipped roof and at least one chimney.

Integrity

External Integrity and condition

Integrity - Low to Moderate. Condition - Fair.

Physical Description 2

Context

Adjacent to almost contemporary two storey bluestone houses at Nos. 75-77 in a predominantly residential area.

Historical Australian Themes

Building settlements, towns and cities; Development of community services and utilities.

Physical Description 3

Associations

Victoria Brewery Company

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