Hotel Shearers Arms (former)

Location

202 Aberdeen Street, GEELONG WEST VIC 3218 - Property No 200235

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0661

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO609

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The building at 202 Aberdeen Street has strong historical association, from at least 1847, with the former Shearer's Arms Hotel. The exact date of the existing building is unclear but it appears part of it was built by 1850 and pre dates the gold rushes. Together with the harp Inn, it stands as one of the two earlier single storey former hotels still remaining in Geelong West. It is of State significance.

POLICY /RECOMMENDATIONS: National Estate Register, GRPS, Geelong West Schedule, National trust of Australia (Victoria) Register.

Removal of porch and some of the post war additions, a more sympathetic fence, colour scheme and window joinery would greatly enhance the character of this building.

REFERENCES: Ian Wynd - 'Hotels of Geelong West', Investigator, Vol 10, No 1, March 1975 p3.

Kardinia Ward Rate Books, 1850, 1851, 1852, 1854, 1855-6.

Villamanta Ward Valuation Books, 1858-9, 1860-61.

G Seaton - The Ashby Story - A History of Geelong West, Geelong West City Council, 1978. pp 16, 52, 85, 228.

Heritage Study/ConsultantGreater Geelong - Not known, Not known, 2000;Heritage Act CategoriesRegistered place,Hermes Number15324

Physical Description 1

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The former Shearers Arms is a hipped roof, stucco and brick building of domestic character. It is likely that the stucco is a later addition as the chimneys resemble those of a later building. There is quoinwork at the corners and around window openings. The quoined stucco work is similar to a residence at 180 Autumn Street which has been dated to 1864-5. There are relatively few examples of stuccoed buildings in Geelong West. The porch is a later addition. The building has been extended and extensively altered Internally . No evidence remains of the stables.

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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