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# Bush Inn Hotel

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## Location

58 Corio Street, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 212825

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1638

HO893

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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Statement of Significance

The Bush Inn Hotel building, 58 Corio Street, Geelong, has significance as one of Geelong's earliest hotel buildings, having been constructed in c.1855-56. It has a capacity to demonstrate the early hotel industry in Geelong over an extended period from the mid 19th century. The building is reasonably externally intact, having experienced some changes, and has possibly been designed by the early Geelong architects, Snell and Kawerau.

The Bush Inn Hotel building, 58 Corio Street, is architecturally significant at a LOCAL level. Although altered, it still demonstrates original design qualities of a Victorian style. These qualities include the large stepped parapets, straight angled corner and prominent quoinwork about the building corners and openings. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the timber framed double hung windows, corner doorway, single door openings on the side facades, title panels and projecting mouldings in the stepped parapets, projecting masonry window sills, and the projecting masonry plinth.

The Bush Inn Hotel building, 58 Corio Street, is historically significant at a LOCAL level. It is associated with the development of the hotel industry in Geelong from an early period in the mid 1850s. The building possibly also has associations with the Geelong architects, Snell and Kawerau. The Bush Inn Hotel building, 58 Corio Street, is socially significant at a LOCAL level. It is recognised and valued by sections of the Geelong community as a long time recreational meeting place.

Overall, the Bush Inn Hotel building, 58 Corio Street, is of LOCAL significance.

## References

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## Physical Description 1

### DESCRIPTION

The site at 58 Corio Street, Geelong, is dominated by the two storey Bush Inn Hotel building. This building is situated in one of the earliest commercial areas in Geelong developed in the 1850s.

The two storey, rendered freestone (with later overpainting), Victorian styled hotel building is characterised by large stepped parapets, straight angled corner and prominent quoinwork about the building corners and openings. The building has several window openings, with timber framed double hung windows, and more recent timber framed windows on the ground floor. The building is accessed through a corner doorway, and through single door openings on the side facades. These timber framed and glazed doors have been introduced.

Other early features of the design include the title panels and projecting mouldings in the stepped parapets, projecting masonry window sills, and the projecting masonry plinth.

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