Alfred Hotel (Former)



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Location

92 Stevedore Street WILLIAMSTOWN, Hobsons Bay City

Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO281

Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The Alfred Hotel (former), constructed in 1859-60, at 92 Stevedore Street, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

The Alfred Hotel (former) at 92 Stevedore Street, Williamstown is of local historic, aesthetic and social significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is significant as one of only three surviving pre-1860 hotels in Williamstown and demonstrates the very early development of the town associated with the port. (AHC criteria A4, B2 and D2)

Aesthetically, it is significant as an early and near original corner hotel of two parts each expressing traditional hotel forms and built from a material uncommon in Melbourne; the western wing has valuable early timber details (verandah) and the whole is a prominent landmark that contributes to the historic character of Macquarie and Stevedore Streets. (AHC criteria E1 and F1)

Socially, it is significant for its strong associations with the local community as a social centre and meeting place over a long period and demonstrates the importance of hotels in the early development of port communities like Williamstown. (AHC criterion G1)

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

Construction dates 1859,

Hermes Number 22263

Property Number

Physical Description 1

Like the original form of the Napier Hotel (q.v.), this is a two storey stone masonry and hipped roof former hotel of two parts; one at the corner, built to the frontage (bar); one to the west, set back as a residence, with a two level timber verandah consisting of duplex timber posts and cast-iron balustrading. Like the former Napier Hotel residential section the balustrade probably was of timber. Six-pane sashes comprise the fenestration which is generally symmetrically arranged. A pediment is placed over the corner entrance which is appointed with a six-panel door.

The verandah has been altered in detail including a new concrete slab floor and a masonry fence added at its base; (bar) windows have been sheeted over the south and east; the stone has been painted an unfortunate shade of blue.

Integrity

External Integrity and condition

Integrity - Moderate. Condition - Fair.

Physical Description 2

Context

A prominent early commercial building in an old residential street which relates to similar early corner buildings including the Napier Hotel (Former) at No. 52 and the former shops at Nos. 46-48 Stevedore Street.

Historical Australian Themes

Developing local, regional and national economies, Lodging people

Physical Description 3

Associations

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