
Atkinson's Buildings



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Location

73-91 View Street and 2 MacKenzie Street BENDIGO, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO273

Heritage Listing

Greater Bendigo City

Statement of Significance

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A major shop and residence row in a form not common in Bendigo (but more familiar in Melbourne's inner suburbs), with an unusual cornice and parapet treatment and distinctive two-level cast-iron verandah. It forms a major element in an important commercial streetscape and presents a physical link with H.L. Atkinson, a physician, and prominent mine and land owner of Bendigo.

HeritageStudy/Consultant	Greater Bendigo - View Street Rosalind Park Study, Ratio Consultants, 1992;
Construction dates	1877,
Architect/Designer	Vahland, William Charles,
Hermes Number	40251
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

There is an impressive two-storey stuccoed shop and residence row of four modules, facing View Street, each with a double or triple shop at ground-level.

Facade bays are divided with paneled pilasters which, in turn, support ornamented blocks dividing the main cornice. The cornice is almost Moorish with its repeating arcade motif and brackets supporting the moulding. Above that is a plain parapet, divided by raised blocks, in View Street, and culminating in an unusual curved and raised entablature which has a bracketed cornice and panel. Upper-level windows are also highly ornamented with segment-arched pediments over each, complete with acroterion and brackets. Below are sill brackets on dwarf pilasters, and curved panels between. The iron verandah detailing is distinctively Bendigo's, set as balustrading or paneled friezes. Early shopfronts exist in part (87, 85, 75 part) and some later shopfronts adopt the traditional entry recess (83-81 brass framed c1930, pepper and salt tiles).

Integrity

- . Verandahs have been removed from the shops presumably a single level type;
- . some shopfronts have been replaced and others altered;
- . new obscured glazing to corner tenancy door; and signs added.

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