

BUILDING TITLE ST PATRICKS COLLEGE
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA CITY OF BALLARAT

NATIONAL ESTATE PROJECT No.
DOCUMENTATION OF LISTED HISTORIC BUILDINGS IN VICTORIA

DESIGNATION H.B.P.C. REGISTER No. NATIONAL TRUST ☒ ☒ FILE No.

BUILDING TYPE SCHOOL
BUILDING NAME ST PATRICKS COLLEGE
STATE VICTORIA
LOCAL GOVT AREA CITY OF BALLARAT
STREET STURT No.
SUBURB/TOWN BALLARAT
CITY BALLARAT POSTCODE 3350
RURAL
NEAREST CENTRE Km.

TITLE REFERENCE Vol Fol
DIRECTORY
NEGATIVE FILE FILM 2 / FRAME 36

PHOTOGRAPHIC ILLUSTRATION
DATE OF SURVEY/INSPECTION JULY 1978

OWNERSHIP ORIGINAL
PRESENT
ADDRESS

ARCHITECT/PRACTICE
BUILDER
ARTISANS/TRADES

TENDERS REFERENCE
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION
ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE
ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS

BUILDING CITATION

The original purchase of the grounds for the College would appear to have been not long before the construction of the first main building in 1889, as the total cost including land is given as £12,000. This building was of a "domestic Gothic style with a high tower surmounted by a mansard roof" and was designed by Tappin Gilbert and Dennehy and opened 19.2.1899. This would now appear to have been largely demolished. Various later unsighted and undated drawings exist for alterations by Clegg and Morrow, and new buildings by Clegg and Miller. The latter may be for the current main wing. This is of a heavy early twentieth century eclectic style. It borrows heavily from the English Renaissance, particularly the detailing of the projecting central gable with heavy leadlit windows set within a serlian motif; also the central decorative turret or roof vent mounted on the ridge of the hipped roof. Otherwise it is a fairly restrained exercise in red brick with masonry trimming with an open balcony at both levels covered by the main tiled roof. The balcony is supported by brick piers with masonry capitals at ground floor, and ionic masonry columns at the first floor. The main importance of the building is its intactness, its comprehensive detailing, and the spacious grounds. It provides a good example of an early twentieth century revival of English Renaissance architecture.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that this building be added to the Register of the National Estate and be specified under Clause 8 of the Town and Country Planning Act (Third Schedule).

DOCUMENTATION SOURCES

- 01 GOVERNMENT RECORDS
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04. AUSTRALASIAN BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS NEWS 2 MARCH 1859

* NEW COLLEGE FOR THE HOLY GHOST FATHERS IN STURT STREET
BY TAPPIN, GILBERT AND DENNEHY OPENED 19 FEBRUARY 1859

05. VERNON COLLECTION! CLEGG AND MORROW, ALTERATIONS TO ST PATRICKS COLLEGE, UNDATED.

CLEGG AND MORROW, PROPOSED NEW
BUILDINGS AT ST. PATRICKS COLLEGE.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

1. J. SMITH, CYCLOPEDIA OF VICTORIA V.2. P.246.

ASSESSMENT OF LISTING

CONDITION/INTEGRITY OF BUILDING SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT

SIGNIFICANCE OF BUILDING

LANDSCAPE/STREETSCAPE/ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE PART OF RECOMMENDED
AREA A3.10.

DOCUMENTATION JACQUES LENNE VINES DATE SEPTEMBER 1978.

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