SHOPS 108-112 Bridge Road

History and Description

The boom style commercial building was erected in c.1885, and appears on the 1896 Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works map of Richmond.

The building is an important example of elaborate late Victorian period decoration. The principle facade is constructed in polychromatic brick with applied cement render decoration. Elongated window pilasters, elaborate cornices, and parapet detail articulate the building. The parapet is completed by decorative urns, and central pediment. The shopfronts are substantially intact, and particularly notable is the shopfront at number 112.

Statement of Significance

This boom style commercial building exhibits a now rare example of an original building facade with shopfronts. The building is an important contributor to the Bridge Road commercial precinct.

References

M.M.B.W. Plan of Richmond 1896.