

Building:	Former Hatcher's Laundry	Significance:	B
Address:	18 Victoria Crescent, Abbotsford	Melway Map Ref:	2D A12
Building Type:	Laundry	Construction Date:	1908
Architect:	Unknown	Builder:	Unknown



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Existing Heritage Listings:		Recommended Heritage Listings:	
Victorian Heritage Register	[]	Victorian Heritage Register	[]
Register of the National Estate	[]	Register of the National Estate	[x]
National Trust	[]	Heritage Overlay Controls	[x]

History

In 1907 Henry Hatcher owned 83 feet (30 metres) of enclosed land on the west side of Victoria Crescent. In 1908, Hatcher built a brick laundry on the site, which he owned and operated.¹

Andrew Ward. *Collingwood Conservation Study*. 1995.

Description

18 Victoria Crescent is a substantial single-storey brick industrial building. The street facade, which has been painted, has five large window openings in the form of round arches. The main entrance, asymmetrically located between the second and third arch, has a surround of rendered classical ornament. A pair of narrow string courses creates a plain frieze above the arches. The parapet rises above, topped with a cornice, and with a scrolled bracket at each end. At each extremity of the facade is a vermiculated pilaster strip.

Significance

The former Hatcher's Laundry, 18 Victoria Crescent, Abbotsford, is of local historical and architectural significance. It has been occupied by a laundry since 1908, and, although altered, makes a contribution to the mixed but predominantly industrial streetscape.

Original Source

Andrew Ward. *Collingwood Conservation Study*. 1995.

1 Rate Books 1908, 1909.