

Building:	Former East Collingwood Hotel	Significance:	B
Address:	385 Victoria Street, Abbotsford	Melway Map Ref:	2H A1
Building Type:	Hotel	Construction Date:	1873
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

By 1872, John Falvey owned enclosed land on the north-west corner of Victoria and Lithgow Streets, on which he built a house in 1873 which he leased to John Davis, a publican. In 1874 the property was listed as the East Collingwood Hotel. Falvey retained ownership until 1877 when Maria Falvey purchased the property. Falvey did not operate the hotel herself, but leased it to a series of tenants. She remained as owner at least until 1891. By 1900, J Pearce had purchased the property, with Mary Donoho the licensed victualler.¹

In 1912, the name was changed to the Crown and the building was delicensed in 1923.

Andrew Ward. *Collingwood Conservation Study*. 1995.

Description

The former East Collingwood Hotel, 385 Victoria Street, Abbotsford, is a double-storey Italianate rendered brick hotel on a prominent corner site. The ground floor has a corner entrance, and the walls have banded rustication, with alternate courses vermiculated. The ground floor door and window openings are arched, with protruding keystones and wide sills. The larger windows have paired arched timber frames within the arched openings.

The first floor has a decorative recessed panel above the corner entrance. The south elevation has two sets of tripartite windows with bracketed moulded hoods, whilst the east elevation has three double-hung sash windows with similar bracketed hoods. There is a bracketed string course at sill level. The roof is concealed behind a simple parapet with a moulded cornice, and is penetrated by a rendered chimney with moulded top. Its appearance is somewhat reduced by a number of shop signs on the facades.

Significance

The former East Collingwood Hotel, 385 Victoria Street, Abbotsford, is of local architectural significance. Architecturally, the building has unusually detailed facades, and remains remarkably intact. The building is a good example of the Italianate style applied to a commercial building, and it is an important heritage element in the Victoria Street streetscape.

Original Source

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1 Rate Books 1872, 1873, 1874, 1877, 1891, 1901.